



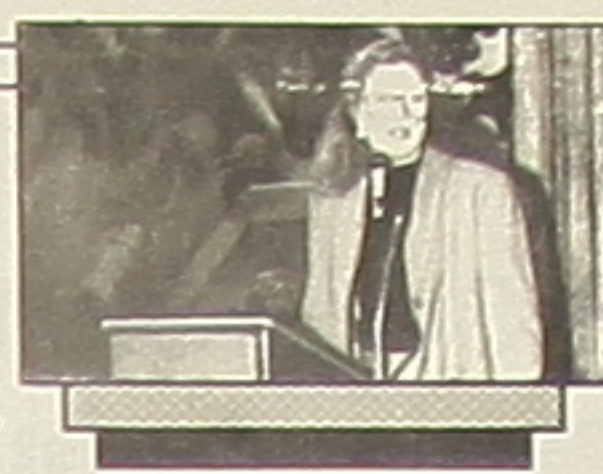
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### ► SPIVA LIBRARY

## Changes in store for library

By SUSAN HOSKINS  
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If members of the library committee get their way, the Spiva Library will get a face-lift.

A new entrance to replace the swinging gates is in the works, along with plans to improve the aesthetics of the entrance area and add more study space.

Appearances are not the only changes in store for Spiva, said Dr. Dale Simpson, associate professor of English and a member of the library committee. The changes could result in more international periodicals and holdings in foreign languages. Simpson said the additions were necessary to keep up with the international mission of the College.

"There is a need for the library to have a mission in accordance with the institution," he said. "The set of goals need to reflect the institution. The staff needs to look at the library in accordance with its mission statement and work with the administration to meet needs."

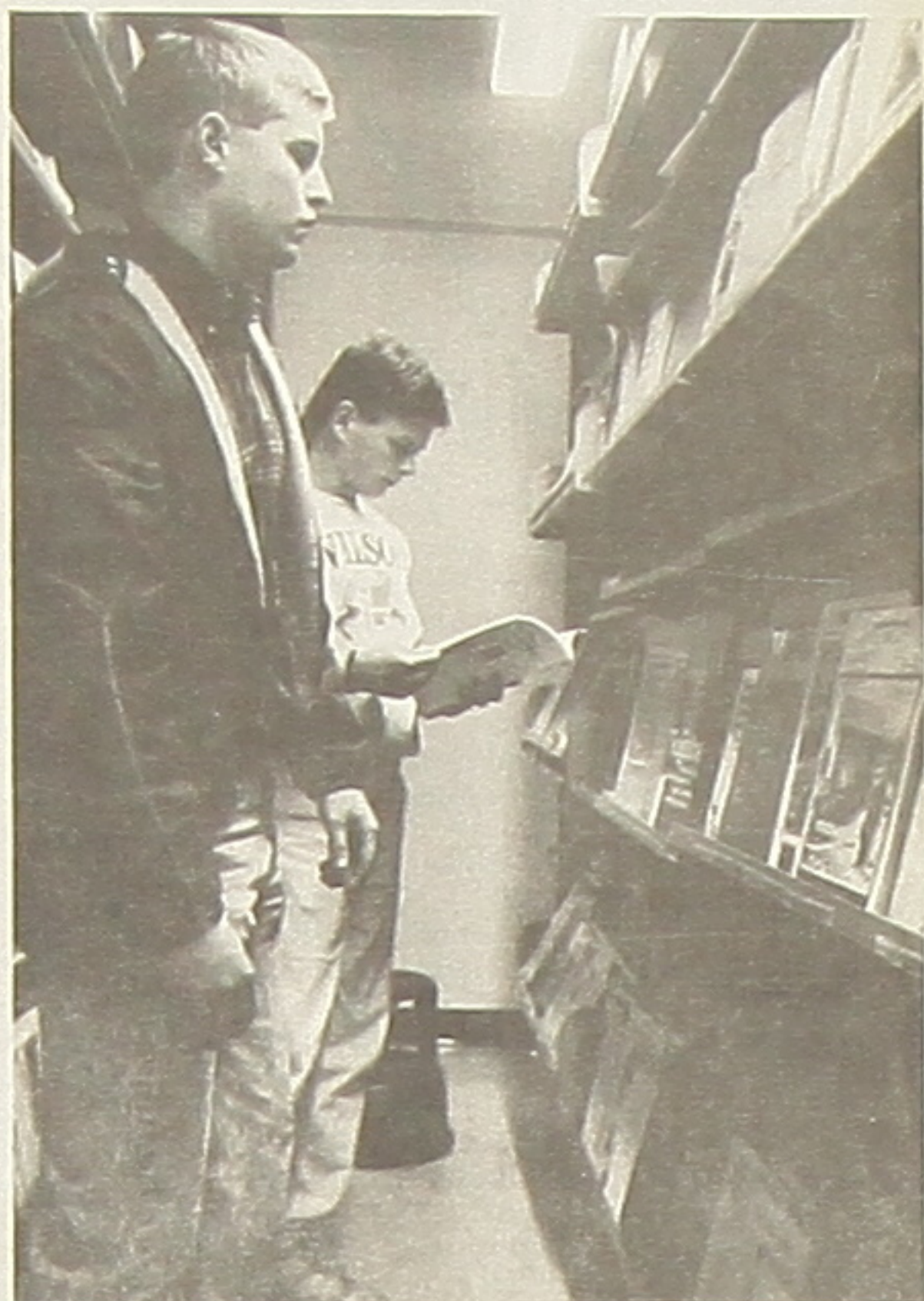
Simpson has met with Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, to discuss the long-range plans for the library and how the library fits into Southern's long-range plans.

Dr. Charles Kemp, head librarian, said he would like the library to invest in a new reference computer system. Kemp said most major reference books now are available on-line as opposed to books. He also said the library staff is considering a periodical data index that would interface with the LION on-line system.

Kemp said such computer programs will push Spiva to the front of other college libraries in the state. "This is cutting edge," he said. "No one else in the state has this."

Kemp said while Spiva is ahead as far as automation, it is behind as far as space, material access, and seating. While Kemp would like to see the

### LIBRARY RESEARCH



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Freshman criminal justice majors Travis Claypool (left) and Tony Pike scan periodicals in Spiva Library yesterday. Spiva is developing long-term plans in accordance with the College's mission.

new computer system implemented in the library, costs would make such an acquisition difficult. However, he believes that any long-range plans for the library should include consideration of the system to keep the library up to date.

Simpson said the committee is contemplating ways to acquire funds for the changes.

One method the committee is discussing would be going to the community and local corporations for support. Another consideration is possible liquidation of seldom-used periodicals.

However, Simpson said because of their value to students, Spiva must keep some infrequently used periodicals in its collection.

Despite the problems that need to

be improved, Simpson believes Spiva can hold its own compared to other college libraries in the state. He believes this is due to the involvement of Southern's faculty.

"For a college this size, the library compares favorably to others," he said. "This is partly because of faculty's involvement in book orders. The faculty looked after themselves favorably. We've got enough to keep students busy."

Simpson said a mission statement for the library should generate from the faculty and staff and complement the mission of the College.

"It is necessary to create a mission that begins in the library and is in cooperation with the faculty and staff," he said. "The library is the heart of an institution."

### ► PHON-A-THON

## Fund drive \$5,647 away

Volunteers end calling tonight

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

As the 10th annual Missouri Southern Foundation Phon-A-Thon enters its final day, those in charge are optimistic about reaching the \$175,000 goal.

At the close of last night's calling, \$169,353 had been raised. The drive expects to surpass the \$5,647 needed to meet the goal.

Kreta Gladden, director of alumni affairs, said the goal is attainable. "It's within our reach," she said. "But it is going to be a tough day."

Gladden said the Phon-A-Thon had mailed 2,280 pledge packets to potential donors.

Pledge packets are sent to those who answer "yes" or "maybe" when called for a donation.

Gladden said because the "maybe"

replies are not included in the daily totals, the goal already could have been reached.

"The race isn't over until we cross the finish line," she said. "There are certainly some who do not designate an amount who are giving."

"We get excited over a 'maybe' because sometimes those 'maybes' turn out to be very nice. We'd rather have a 'maybe' than a 'no.'"

Gladden credits the volunteers and the new donors as the reason for the Phon-A-Thon's success.

"We feel encouraged by the new donors we have received because of the excellent callers we have had," she said. "The increase in the number of new givers is a reflection of the excellent volunteers we have."

"The volunteers pretty much run the Phon-A-Thon."

The Phon-A-Thon will have called approximately 13,000 alumni and friends of the College by tomorrow night.

Those not home during the call-

ing will be mailed a "Sorry we missed you" card.

"For part of the donors, it's vacation time," Gladden said. "Many are on vacation where it is warm or on a cruise."

Arlene Nash, Foundation secretary, said the follow-up cards sent to those not reached by phone are worth the extra work.

"We think it pays for our postage to follow up on the misses," she said. Robert Lamb, Foundation president, said he still thinks the Phon-A-Thon can reach its goal.

"I think we are within striking distance of the goal," Lamb said. "I think we took a real challenging goal in light of the economic times."

It will be very close and will probably take some extra effort after the close of the campaign to accomplish what we want to raise."

Gladden said the Phon-A-Thon is worth the extra effort.

"It's work, but it's rewarding work," she said.

### ► STUDENT ACTIVITIES

## No black history events on tap

College uses month to promote multi-cultural awareness

By CHAD HAYWORTH  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Despite the College's international mission, Missouri Southern currently does not hold activities to celebrate Black History Month.

Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities, said events geared toward black heritage are scheduled more in conjunction with Martin Luther King's birthday celebration in January.

"We use February more as a multicultural awareness month," she said. "We did bring in [black comedian] Bertice Berry in January, and the cafeteria served soul food on Jan. 20, so we do things specifically for blacks in January."

Doug Carnahan, director of student life, said the College does not single out any ethnic group for celebration.

"We don't do anything out of the ordinary in February," he said. "We've got multicultural events planned throughout the year, but we don't celebrate any separate awareness any more."

Black students currently have no organization on campus. A group called the Black Collegians existed last year; however, former club sponsor Al Cade said the organization is now inactive.

"The Black Collegians was organized by Keith Brown," he said. "He wanted to do something for the black students on campus, so he ran the club."

"The thing is I see most of the guys every day, so if we need to talk, it's no problem to get together."

Kevin Hooks, senior communications major, said the lack of activities wasn't a major issue.

"No other race has their own history month," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, every month is about black history. It's up to us to learn about our history."

"But because it is nationally recognized, I think Southern should do something."

Hooks, who was a member of the Black Collegians, said the group tried to help new black students adapt to life at Southern.

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### ► CAMPUS CRIME

## Southern phone bill reveals collect calls

By JEFFREY SLATTON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The student activities office recently had a big surprise delivered to it in its December telephone bill: 303 minutes of collect calls.

Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities, said she first was made aware of the calls when she received one on Dec. 20.

"The phone rang, and the operator said she had a collect call and would we accept," Carlisle said.

Before she could say no, the call was patched through. Carlisle said the man on the phone told her he was a troubleshooter for AT&T, and that he wanted to be transferred to the campus operator. She then transferred him.

She said this happened about five times that morning. Each time, Carlisle said she could hear a voice accepting the call even though she would tell the operator no. "We didn't think much of it until January when we got the bill," she said.

The bill was totalled \$78. College accountant Pete Garrison said the offenders were using some type of recording device that said, "I do," "I will," or "Yes, operator," when the operator asked about accepting the call.

"They would then somehow make use and capitalize off the [main campus telephone] trunkline to make calls all over the country," he said.

Garrison would not specify where the calls were coming from, but Carlisle said she thought the calls were coming from a penitentiary.

Suan Richardson, campus operator, said the calls had to be dialed to Carlisle's line directly because she does not accept any collect calls.

"When they call me and it's a collect call, I put them on hold and call the party receiving to see if they will accept," she said. "I don't accept collect calls at the switchboard."

Richardson said although there are times when collect calls come in to the College, they are "seldom and few and far between."

Carlisle said to defeat the scam, the persons receiving the call must tell the operator they will not accept the collect call, speaking loudly enough to be heard over the recording.

She also issued a warning for those who answer College phones regularly to be prepared for this.

"Listen for the 'Yes, operator,' or anything else that sounds suspicious," she said. "Just start hollering to the operator that you do not want to accept the call."

"I didn't catch it the first time," Carlisle said.

Richardson said people really have to be careful when dealing with things like this.

"I guess there is not much you can do; you're responsible," she said.

Carlisle said although Southwest- ern Bell says the College is not responsible for the scam calls on the bill, AT&T still does.

### IN THE WORKS



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Bob Beeler, physical plant director, surveys the interior construction progress of the Webster Communications and Social Science Building.

### ► WEBSTER COMMUNICATIONS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE BUILDING

## Contractors plan to beat Aug. 1 completion date

By JOHN HACKER  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Five years of work and planning are coming to fruition as the Webster Communications and Social Science Building takes shape.

Much of the exterior work is complete, and the building could be sealed as early as the middle of March, said Bob Beeler, Missouri Southern physical plant director.

"We are waiting for delivery of the chillers for the air conditioning system," Beeler said. "They need a big opening, so we can't close the front of the building up until they arrive."

Construction of the building is ahead of schedule, said Howard

Dugan, representative of Linscott, Haylett, Wimmer, and Wheat, the College's architect for the project.

"The contractor has been pushing hard to beat the Aug. 1 completion date," Dugan said. "The weather has really helped us so far."

He said seven subcontractors are working on the building at this time. "We had about 50 people working on the different trades in the building last week," Dugan said.

The facility is being built with a number of high-technology features to cut operating costs.

"The windows are similar to the popular thermal pane windows except that the space between the glass is filled with an inert gas instead of air," Beeler said.

"They also have a film coating

that reflects sunlight and saves air-conditioning costs. That's what gives the windows their mirrored look."

Other methods of construction have been used to reduce outside noise in the building and improve the acoustics in some classrooms.

"All the classrooms, including those on the top floor, will have concrete block walls," Beeler said. "This will limit the distractions caused by traffic and other noise."

Among the other features in the building is a modern television studio patterned after a major station in Kansas City.

"The architect visited all three major television stations in Kansas City," Beeler said. "The new studio will be state-of-the-art."

Another special feature in the

building is a first-floor 406-seat lecture hall. Beeler said each seat in the hall will have a fold-down note table and the acoustics will be good enough to allow for recording and broadcasting of lectures over television and radio.

"It will be the largest single room on campus outside of Taylor Auditorium," Beeler said.

A number of other classrooms also will be configured as teleclassrooms. "The hookups for the television equipment will already be in the room to make broadcasting more convenient," Beeler said.

Several rooms in the building will have seats arranged in tiers.

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## STUDENT SENATE

## Vowels: trip worth the money

## Senators to host Capitol luncheon

By T.R. HANRAHAN  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Placing Missouri Southern's name before state lawmakers is the primary purpose of the Student Senate's visit to Jefferson City Monday and Tuesday.

"Missouri Southern still has a bit of an identity problem," said Duog Carnahan, director of student life and Senate adviser. "We want to let them know we are here. We will distribute a packet that highlights the College and our programs."

Senate President Bryan Vowels said the packet is patterned after one displayed at a Board of Regents meeting. Vowels is serving as student regent on an interim basis.

Chuck Henry, sophomore senator, said the Senate wants to have some topics in hand when visiting with legislators.

"We want to let them know what a good school we have here," he said. "Some probably don't even know we exist. Beyond that, we want to talk to them about funding for higher education."

The Senate will arrive in Jefferson City around noon Monday to

tour the Capitol and observe that day's session of the General Assembly. Tuesday, the senators will host a luncheon for legislators and staff.

"We've been talking with Deanna Hines (president of Southern's Young Democrats), and she has been very helpful as to who we should talk to and the issues we should focus on," Vowels said.

College President Julio Leon and Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, also will attend the luncheon, Carnahan said.

"There will be no formal speeches or anything," he said. "As the legislators drift through, we will visit with them."

The trip will cost the Senate nearly \$2,000, but Carnahan said it is worth it.

"That [\$2,000] is the usual cost," he said. "But this is a one-shot deal where we can do some lobbying and public relations for the College."

Carnahan said the funds were allocated by the Senate earlier this year. Groups are limited by the Senate's constitution to \$1,000 allocations, but Carnahan said the Senate is different.

"I see the Senate as a different deal," he said. "It is the student governing body."

Vowels agreed with Carnahan

and said the effects of such a trip are hard to gauge.

"How do we know whether the seeds planted in the minds of legislators in previous years helped with the Webster Building?" he asked. "If we make a great impression, perhaps we can get them thinking about us."

Vowels said the money spent on the trip is a good investment and not out of line in comparison to other student government bodies.

"This trip is not so we can play for two days," he said. "We are actually doing work. We are representing every group on campus."

"Pittsburg State's student government has a budget of \$69,000, and only about 20 percent of that goes to student organizations. A lot of these schools' funds are combined with groups like the Campus Activities Board, so our situation is somewhat different."

Carnahan said the \$2,000 spent by the group covers motel and transportation costs. Senators pay for most of their own meals. The College's food service company caters the luncheon. The food service tab is approximately \$4,000.

"A big chunk of the cost is the food, and our food service company caters that," Carnahan said.

## OVER THE SHOULDER



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Ronnie and Tina Wood check the program during the Psi-Chi induction ceremony last Friday. Tina was one of nine new members inducted during the candlelight ceremony at Travetti's Italian Restaurant.

## STUDENT SENATE

## Summer finals debate continues

By KAYLEA HUTSON

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Student Senate recommendations on a possible change in the date of summer semester finals should wait until student opinion can be gauged, freshman senator Jeff Talley told senators last night.

Talley reported on a survey he has been conducting of students. The survey asked students which they preferred, finals on Thursday, July 23, or Monday, July 27.

"We didn't have a very good response; only 52 students stopped to answer our questions," Talley said. "The response was 31-21 to have the finals on Thursday."

Talley said he wanted to hold off on making a recommendation until more students had been contacted. He said senators again would be polling students Tuesday in front of the Billingsly Student Center.

In old business, sophomore sen-

ator Troy Comeau reported the results of his discussion with Richard Massa, head of the department of communications, concerning a format change for KXMS-FM.

"Basically, he told me that when Southern formed KXMS it was to create a new market in the Joplin area," Comeau said. "KXMS serves the community in a 35-mile radius."

"He said changing the format is out of the question."

Comeau said there is a possibility for a new 10-watt station, to broadcast over a one-mile radius, after the new Webster Communications and Social Science Building is completed.

Senior senator Doretta Lovland informed the Senate of her discussion with Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, about the possible addition of a sidewalk on the hillside between Kuhn Hall and the Mansion.

"Dr. Tiede said they had considered building a sidewalk there," Lovland said, "but they are waiting

to see what the traffic is like after the Webster Communications and Social Science Building is finished."

In new business, senators debated a funding allocation requested by the Missouri Southern Art League. The club had requested \$800 to travel to Chicago next month to visit several art museums. The finance committee recommended the Senate allocate \$700 for the trip.

However, senior senator Kevin Lurten did not agree with the recommendation allocation.

"It looks like the same allocation the Communications Club asked for, and we cut them by 60 percent," Lurten said. "We can't have a double standard."

Lory St. Clair, Senate treasurer, said the difference between the two requests was the location of events.

"This organization (Art League) is traveling out of state," she said. "The Communications Club was traveling to Tulsa."

## CAMPUS CRIME

## Windows shot out with BB-gun

By BRIAN SANDERS

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Campus security is cracking down on firearms due to a recent increase in vehicular vandalism.

Early yesterday, two students reported that the rear windows of their trucks had been shot out with a BB-gun. Campus police said at least 10 shots had been fired at each truck. The trucks were parked near the campus apartments.

Bill Boyer, chief of campus security, said there was another incident on Feb. 2, when a student told campus police the rear window of his truck had been shot out with a pellet gun. The truck also was parked near the campus apartments.

"There could be a trend in all of this," he said. "It's beginning to look like one. All we can do right now is put extra security on it and see what we can do."

Boyer said the motivation behind the shootings is a mystery.

"It might have been anger-related, but that's just a theory. It may just be a prankster. It's hard to develop leads in a situation like this," he said.

Boyer stressed firearms are prohibited on campus. "Two students were expelled last semester for keeping pellet guns in their dorm room," he said.

"These pellet guns look like .45s and are pretty strong. We fired one of them without ammunition, and they have quite a kick to them."

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## COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SERVICES

# Internet coming within 2 months

Network to provide conveniences

By T.R. HANRAHAN  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Within two months, Missouri Southern should have almost campus-wide access to information around the globe.

Internet, a world-wide computer network, soon will be accessible by the fingertips of most people using a campus computer terminal, said J. Steve Earney, assistant vice president of computer and information services.

"Internet is a world-wide network of educators, researchers, government entities, and private industries," Earney said. "I see us having access to Internet through MOREnet in about two months."

MOREnet is the Missouri Research and Educational Network, a state-wide data network including all eight regional colleges and universities, the University of Missouri system, Washington University, and the Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

"MOREnet is a consortium of colleges and other entities that will help us get into Internet," Earney said.

As one of the original members of MOREnet, Southern received part of a grant from the National Science Foundation to purchase the necessary hardware. As a new entry into the network, the CBHE did not receive such funds, but schools that did provided help.

"CBHE didn't have the money to join this past year," Earney said. "So, each of us gave up a portion of our grant to them. It came to about \$5,000 total, not too much to get them connected."

Earney said Internet provides three primary services.

"First, there is electronic mail (E-

Mail), which most people are aware of," he said. "Second, there is Telnet. This is simply signing on to other people's computers for things like library catalogs, super computer access, and census databases."

"Next, there is file transfer protocol. This is downloading a data set from one place to another. This is simply a way of copying something you need from another computer to yours."

Once campus-wide connectivity is achieved, faculty members and administrators will have a variety of conveniences at their fingertips.

"Let's say an economics professor attends a conference and a colleague tells him about a discussion list on Internet," Earney said. "That professor could then subscribe to that list through Internet."

"It is like an electronic bulletin board. Individuals can subscribe to various discussion groups and keep up with the views of colleagues on given topics."

In order to access Internet, Southern will need to add software to its administrative host computer and link that computer to the computer center's AS400 computer. Earney said this process will be simple.

"It is just a matter of adding the necessary software," he said. "We have the hardware to do the job. We knew all along that we wanted to connect those guys."

"Whether or not you have Internet, you'd want your host computers to talk."

Earney said most campuses will be connected with Internet in the near future.

"I predict everyone will have this in place within a year or two," he said.

## LEARNING ON THE TUBE



Jack Spurlin, criminal justice department head, teaches the telecourse Probation and Parole. The ITFS classes, taught Monday through Thursday evenings, are being sent via microwave to Lamar and Monett.

## COLLEGE FACULTY AND STAFF

## Personnel director to retire April 30

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

By retiring April 30, Doug Coen will fulfill a personal goal.

"I have reached the stage I set for myself at MSSC," said Coen, director of personnel. "I decided I would work until I was 70, then I would retire."

Coen, who turned 70 in November, has worked at Missouri Southern since 1981.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, said Coen's retirement was not completely unexpected.

"I guess I was surprised," Tiede said, "but I knew he had been thinking about it for a while."

"It will be tough shoes to fill. He's done an excellent job for us, and we hate to see him go."

On July 17, 1989, Coen was diagnosed with prostate cancer. It has been in remission since surgery in November 1989, he said. Coen said his condition did not influence his

decision to retire.

He said he does not have any definite plans on ways to spend his retirement, outside of a trip.

"My wife, Donna, and I are going to Europe for at least four weeks," he said. "Our son works at a ski resort in Switzerland, and we plan to meet him and travel around central Europe for four to five weeks."

The Coens plan to leave in May to travel to Switzerland, southern Germany, Austria, and Italy.

"One place I am anxious to return to is Italy," he said. "I spent two and a half years in World War II [in the Army signal corps]. We will be going back to some of those places."

He said he particularly wants to revisit Rome.

Although Coen has many memories of Southern, one stands out in his mind: "the people."

"I've enjoyed working with faculty and staff here tremendously," he said. "I will always have a soft spot in my heart for MSSC. I've enjoyed all of my time here."

Coen said the time is right for his retirement.

"I am ready to retire," he said. "Although I have plenty of vacation time here, I like the flexibility of

making short trips on a short notice. I can't do that by working here."

Coen said with his free time he and his wife will be able to spend more time with their children and grandchildren.

"We have a swimming pool and the garden which I will certainly spend more time in," he said.

Coen said his retirement will cause his family to undergo some changes.

"Retirement is going to be a new lifestyle for us," he said. "So we're going to adjust to that before we launch into anything else."

The College is conducting a dual search, both locally and nationally, for a new personnel director. Tiede said advertisements have been placed in the *The Joplin Globe* and the College and University Personnel Association bi-monthly newsletter.

"We have had two to three applications come in already," Tiede said. "We look for more to come at the end of the month."

The position calls for a salary from \$30,000 to \$42,000. Tiede said he hopes the position will be filled by April 1, with the new director being trained by Coen.

## ITFS PROGRAM

## 4 classes televised out of town

By BRIAN SANDERS  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Students in Lamar and Monett are finding it easier to take Missouri Southern extension courses this semester, thanks to the Instructional Television Fixed Signal (ITFS) program.

Dr. Jerry Williams, director of continuing education, said four ITFS classes are being transmitted through microwave this semester. Eight more are slated for the fall semester.

"Basically, the ITFS program allows us the opportunity to have ongoing, on-campus courses transmitted to outlying sites without having to send an instructor to each of those sites," Williams said.

"For example, by the time people [in Lamar and Monett] get off work, they don't have time to get here for class. But they can still take the classes by just going to the high school [in their hometown] and taking the course by television. They can also interact with the instructor by phone during the class."

Williams said combining the services for Lamar and Monett also was economical.

"When you have four or five students in Monett, combined with four or five students in Lamar, putting them together would save a lot of money," he said.

ITFS classes offered this semester are Probation and Parole, taught by Jack Spurlin, associate professor of law enforcement; a political science course taught by Dr. Michael Yates, associate professor of political science; Art Appreciation, taught by Sam Claussen, associate professor of theatre; and Regions and Nations, a tape-delayed course taught by Williams and Sara Sale, assistant professor of history.

Spurlin said there are both pros and cons of the program.

"It does allow students off campus the opportunity to attend classes without having to drive all the way to the campus," he said. "But I don't think the students who are not in class get as much interaction with the instructor as the ones who are in the class."

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"We know how popular the lecture rooms with tiered seating are in Matthews Hall, so we built some more here," Beeler said.

With all its advances in technology the building was designed so it fits aesthetically with the rest of the campus.

"You look at some colleges where different architects have designed

the different buildings and there is no continuity on those campuses," he said. "We follow a design concept here at Southern; the white columns, red-brick exteriors, and beams across the tops of the buildings."

"The architect has taken that theme, worked with it, and done a good job of improving it while staying within the theme."

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## OUR EDITORIALS

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### What a deal

If there is such a thing as a golden parachute, Dr. Marshall Gordon just hit the mother lode.

Probably to quiet controversy, and almost assuredly to avoid a legal battle, the Southwest Missouri State University Board of Regents has accepted the resignation of SMSU's embattled president.

In an agreement reached Tuesday, the regents handed Gordon a well-stocked bag of goodies. Included in the package are full compensation for all accrued sick leave and vacation time, \$37,500 for university-related entertainment expenses incurred by him and his wife, \$50,000 for miscellaneous transition expenses, and (get this) for his contributions to the university the regents will name an "appropriate monument or building in his honor."

He also retains the title of president, but Dr. Russell Keeling was named chief executive officer to do the work.

We don't get it.

Before the cost overruns on the Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts became public, Gordon was almost a hero at SMSU. Then it was revealed he may have known the project would exceed its \$10.8 million budget. Finally, the university endured a death-watch as everyone wondered if Gordon would be dismissed.

Now the regents have made a decision that makes no sense. They have declined to fire Gordon. Instead, he retains his title, his office, his secretary, and his salary—albeit as a toothless tiger.

While Keeling runs the university, Gordon comes into the office at his pleasure and has a secretary to type his resume.

What a deal. One for the price of two.

If Gordon's actions indeed justified termination, then the regents should have fired the man and everyone else be damned.

### Think about it

That's mighty white of you, Southern. February is Black History Month, but you sure wouldn't know it by talking to those who plan our campus life.

A major cultural event is not being acknowledged here. Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities, said events geared toward black heritage are done in conjunction with Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday in January. Carlisle cited comedian Bertice Berry and one day of soul food.

Please.

This type of cultural ignorance and unintentional insensitivity is defeating our mission as an international campus.

Stop the stereotyping. Recruit athletes and scholars of all races. Then, give them a reason to feel welcome. Not just one day of soul food.

Al Cade, assistant football coach, asks "We talk about our international mission, but how international are we?"

Good question, Coach. Good question.



#### EDITOR'S COLUMN

### Food service workers need new attitude

By CHAD HAYWORTH  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A story in last week's *Chart* indicated a new attitude might emanate from the food service company currently serving Missouri Southern.

Thank God.

College food traditionally is bad. The first question asked by Mom and Dad after their child goes away to college is: "Is the food REALLY that bad?" No question folks—it is.

In all fairness to Ed Butkovich, the College's food service director, it is hard to prepare a home-cooked meal for 600 people three times a day. Besides, it just would be too easy to make fun of food served by a company that started as a moth-proofing business.

My problem is with some incredibly stupid practices and rather pathetic attitudes some of the food service workers display.

First, the stupid rules.

A few weeks ago, tacos were the main lunchtime fare. The first time through, patrons were given two tacos. But on return trips, only one taco was served up. Why? Does a majority not eat the second taco on their return trip? Judging by the number of trips those

at my table made back through the line, I say they would.

Breakfast is served from 7 to 9 a.m. However, to get anything resembling a "hot" breakfast, one must be in the cafeteria by 8:30. If the cafeteria is going to stay open until 9, then patrons should be able to get some scrambled eggs and bacon until then.

The most aggravating piece of equipment on the entire campus has to be the ice machine in the cafeteria. Has anyone ever gotten a reasonable amount of ice from that thing? The machine works on the "all-or-nothing" principle; it dispenses either a glass and a half or one little chunk of ice.

Speaking of drinking, why doesn't the food service company spring for some glassware of a more appropriate size? To expect patrons to use two of those juice glasses instead of normal size glass is asinine. If they used real glasses, there would be half as many to wash, and perhaps students could get a correct amount of ice.

The tray-return part of the food service experience also confuses me. It is not too hard to see why the paper and silverware need to be separated from the plates and glasses, but why is there a different bin for forks, knives, and spoons? On no less than three occasions, I have seen a worker come out of the back and dump all three bins into ONE bucket. Excuse me for my irreverence, but if the food service workers don't keep the silverware separate, why should I?

Moving on to the less-than-cheerful attitude many of the workers display.

I must preface this by commending Doug Lord, who usually works at the cash register during dinner. Doug is consistently friendly and pleasant to those who pass by him. He engages in friendly chit-chat with most of the students, making them feel welcome and wanted in Southern's cafeteria. Your manners are to be praised, Doug. I just hope a few of your co-workers will take some cues from your attitude.

Bonnie Bragg also works at the cash register and is equally as pleasant. I wonder if the cash register makes those people happy, or are they just good workers to begin with? Bet on the latter.

Many of the workers seem to be offended by even the simplest of requests. To return for seconds makes one feel like Oliver Twist. "Please sub, may I have some more?" Ridiculous.

There is one fellow in particular who acts as if the patrons should kiss his ass to get a bologna on wheat or a chili dog. I wonder if he has made a serious vocational error. It seems like he hates his job, and subsequently, the people he serves. Now hold on. The last time I checked, part of my residence hall fees go to pay his salary. So if anyone's ass deserves to be kissed, it's mine.

Most of the people currently working in the cafeteria wouldn't last a week at McDonald's with the attitudes they possess.

With the changes currently being made, now is the time to make all food service patrons feel welcome and happy to be eating in the cafeteria. Come on, Ed. Only you can make it happen.

#### IN PERSPECTIVE

### No stigma for those who use the center

By GEORGE WHITE  
STUDENT TUTOR, LEARNING CENTER

As a tutor, I am bothered when hearing of the occasional rebuff an instructor receives when suggesting the use of the Learning Center to a student. The professor is confronted with the typical, "I'm not stupid" or "You (the instructor) are paid to teach me." I have tried to imagine what generates this attitude in the minds of students and have concluded it results from either misguided pride or a lack of understanding of the Learning Center's tutoring program.

From my sage position as a student attending Missouri Southern under the school's 60-plus program, I can wave flags to call attention to one of life's most important realities. Man is not an island unto himself. We all, each and everyone of us, benefits throughout our lives from the help and support of others. It is amazing how frequently this single factor makes the difference between success and failure. The help is freely offered by friends and associates or provided by schools, employers, and services. All that is required is recognizing it for its value.

When a student enrolls at Southern, he or she is given a curriculum to follow which leads to the student's academic goal. In order to succeed, the student is provided with instructors, texts, and ancillary aids to the learning process. The most apparent of these is taken for granted: Spiva Library. The Learning Center functions within the library and is as accessible as the books and reference search computers.

I can assure any student that a stigma is not attached to using the services offered by the Learning Center. The fact is quite the opposite. If there is one thing common to most of Southern's best students, it is the time spent on the fourth floor at Spiva Library. The student who takes advantage of every learning aid at his disposal is the student certain to succeed.

As tutors, we have but one purpose, and that is to share the things we understand with the students we tutor. As a writing tutor, my responsibility rests in my ability to draw the latent, unique writing talent from the initially unsteady student with whom I work. Most students strive for the ability to comfortably transfer the many thoughts and ideas in their minds to paper. We each have something special to say but are frequently hindered by a big "block" with a relatively simple key. Only tutors and the students we help can confirm the thrill of turning this key and watching the grades rise from 'C's to 'A's.



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## ► SOUTH ASIA

## U.S. contemplates removing Vietnam trade embargo

By RICHARD M. NIXON

LOS ANGELES TIMES SYNDICATE

[Editor's note: Richard Nixon was President of the U.S. from 1969-1974.]

As Communism gasped its last breath in the former Evil Empire, the West has moved toward adopting policies that will help keep it alive in Vietnam.

This is an appalling development. To normalize relations with and lift the Western trade embargo against the Communist government in Hanoi would give a life-support system to a regime that is engaging in aggression abroad and brutal repression at home.

Some observers argue that granting diplomatic recognition will foster economic and political reform. Others selfishly complain that the United States will lose trade and investment opportunities to Japan and Europe if we drag our feet in establishing new relations. These arguments are not only strategically unsound; they are morally flawed.

It has been a common practice for Western nations and particularly the United States to use the withholding of diplomatic recognition as a means to condemn the legitimacy of aggressive or repressive regimes, unless such a policy harmed Western strategic interests.

This is why we have no ties with North Korea, which poses a mortal threat to South Korea, or with Cuba, which supplies Communist guerrillas in Central America.

In granting recognition to the Soviet Union in 1933, 16 years after the Bolshevik Revolution, we were motivated in great part by the gathering clouds of World War II. We opened relations with China in 1972, 23 years after the Chinese Revolution, because Beijing had curtailed its aggression abroad and because we had a common interest in checking Soviet expansionism in Asia.

In the case of Vietnam, no interest of the United States or the Vietnamese people would be served by bestowing the appearance of legitimacy on the international outlaws in Hanoi.

The reign of terror imposed on South Vietnam after its conquest by Communist forces in 1975 was among the most brutal in history. More than one million South Vietnamese were sent to shockingly miserable prisons or rural work camps that made a Soviet gulag look like a five-star hotel by comparison. In addition, an estimated 600,000 boat people perished in the South China Sea while fleeing Vietnam's barbaric



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rule.

Even today, Vietnamese officials candidly admit they have no intention of liberalizing the political system. After the anti-Communist revolutions in Eastern Europe of 1989, Hanoi launched a widespread crackdown on political dissent. Those who served in the South Vietnamese government or army—even their

descendants—continue to be ruthlessly persecuted and discriminated against. As a result, refugee traffic is still all one-way: Thousands are willing to risk death to get out, and none want to go back.

Even after Vietnam's withdrawal from Cambodia, Hanoi's aggressive foreign policy remains unchanged. It still runs a puppet state in Laos, where chemical and biological weapons have been used against the Hmong resistance. It also maintains the fifth-largest military in the world and spends more than 15 percent of its GNP on its armed forces—three times the level of Western countries—despite the fact that its annual per capita income is only \$130, one of the five lowest in the world.

Finally, the Vietnamese have been cynically obstructionist in resolving the cases of the 2,273 Americans listed as missing in action during the Vietnam War. Western intelligence services know that Hanoi has more information about many MIAs who died than it has presented to U.S. officials. Instead of coming clean, Hanoi has engaged in a cruel and macabre exercise of paroling out information and the remains of our servicemen bit by bit every few years.

A regime like the one in Hanoi

does not deserve and should not receive recognition as a member in good standing of the community of nations. If we recognize and provide economic aid to the Communist hard-liners in Hanoi, we will break faith not only with the South Vietnamese who fought against them, but also with the 56,000 Americans who lost their lives and the 8.5 million others who loyally served in Vietnam.

Some might argue that it is inconsistent to isolate Vietnam while maintaining relations with China after Tiananmen Square. That is not the case. China is a major power whose actions affect American interests around the world. Vietnam is not. China's Communist Party has a major faction, led in the past by Hu Yaobang and Zhao Ziyang, that supported political liberalization. Vietnam's does not. Only in China is continued engagement the best strategy for fostering reform through peaceful change.

It is a critical moment for Vietnam's Communist regime. With the imminent cutoff of Moscow's \$2.5 billion annual subsidy, Hanoi could become as vulnerable to the squeeze of the Western economic embargo as Poland was to the post martial-law sanctions that ultimately forced Warsaw to open up the political

system in 1989.

Vietnam's leaders are neither philanthropists nor fools. They are tight-fisted totalitarians who will give up nothing without Western pressure. Our greatest leverage is normalization of relations and the economic benefits that will flow from it.

If we do not get something up front in return—free elections in Laos, demilitarizing Vietnam's economy, terminating persecution of former South Vietnamese officials, and a start to political reform in Vietnam—we will never get it out of Hanoi in the future. And if the Vietnamese refuse to budge, it is not in our interest to throw a lifeline to the flotsam of the wreck of the Soviet empire.

We have a moral duty to play hard ball with Hanoi. When Congress recklessly cut assistance to the anti-Communist South Vietnamese by 80 percent in 1974 and 1975, it doomed their people to a catastrophic human tragedy. As we celebrate the defeat of the ideology of communism, we should commit ourselves to use the power that we have to try to force Hanoi end its oppression of those who fought bravely with our troops in that same cause.

## CULTURE LESSON



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Imani (left) and Kunama (right) Miendaji, the husband-wife folkloric team Taifa, illustrate African-American culture during a performance last Saturday, as part of a Black History month observance.

## ► ITALY

## Officials question theft of five famous paintings

THE ECONOMIST ►

Art thefts may be common in Italy, but Jan. 23 saw a breakthrough in audacity.

At 6:15 p.m., four masked men walked into the Estense gallery in Modena. One held the ticket seller and a custodian at gunpoint; the others ran through the museum's 16 rooms, rounding up the rest of the staff to be held as hostages. That done, they removed a Correggio, a Velazquez and two Guardi landscapes from their frames, and rolled them up. The fifth work on their list was a small altarpiece by the young El Greco, on display inside a glass case. The case was smashed with a hammer, and the triptych neatly folded up and stuffed in a robber's pocket. The whole operation took about three minutes.

This was, surprisingly, the first case of armed robbery from an Italian museum. (Most thefts are from unguarded churches, with the thief hiding in a confessional at closing time.) The Modena gallery had

a burglar alarm, but it was turned on only outside opening hours. Like some other Italian museums, the gallery had taken to staying open until 7 p.m. two nights a week, rather than closing at two; but the late closing had not been publicized, and there were no visitors when the robbers appeared.

Lugio Covatta, the under-secretary for cultural heritage, thinks the pictures are being held for ransom "and not necessarily for money." This suggests that the thieves were operating on behalf of one or more imprisoned terrorists. Covatta dismisses the notion that they were working for an art collector. "One would have to envisage him," he says, "as an absolute fetishist."

Two years ago, armed robbers broke into a storeroom at Herulanum and stole 300 items, including jewelry and coins. That robbery, too, was done with a checklist and was assumed to be for ransom. The stolen goods turned up again six weeks ago, in a garage, after a tip-off from the Neapolitan mafia.

## ► GLOBAL VIEWS

Trip provides eye-opening experience  
Successful visit leaves area man planning return trip to Russia

By JOHN J. HILL

MEMBER, 60-PLUS PROGRAM

I like to think of my trip to Russia from Sept. 10-18 as one of the most thrilling experiences of my life.

That trip to Russia was a bundle of seven miracles. Probably the greatest miracle of this century is the fact that God Almighty broke down the walls of Communism in East Berlin, Eastern Europe, and especially Russia.

No one had expected nor foreseen the almost sudden fall of those Communist seats of aggression, cruelty, and atheism. Like many others, I had both hopes and doubts about glasnost, perestroika, and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. Even now we cannot be sure of the permanency of Communism's fall.

Let us see the hand of God moving in all these matters. He did what no man, and no group of men, could have done. Let us not forget that millions of Christians living or dying under the scourge of Communism for over 70 years have been praying fervently and unceasingly for this miracle.

Our team of 41 had flown to Chicago, where we boarded the Lufthansa Airline and made the long flight to Dusseldorf, Germany. Then, after several hours in Germany, we took a smaller plane to Moscow.

Germany is very clean, and friendly, but pretty expensive. How would you like to have to pay \$3 for a can of Coca Cola? I didn't like it. Meals on these planes are fabulous, and almost more than one can eat—lots of juices, coffee, iced tea, or pop, at no extra cost.

Going East, it took us two days to reach Moscow. But coming back home, traveling with the sun, we made it home in one long day—32 hours.

In August 1991 another miracle took place in Russia. While God had opened the door of Communist Russia to freedom and evangelism, the Devil shut the door—for three days.

While Jon Todd and other Americans were in Moscow, suddenly the huge Russian tanks began to rumble through that city. It looked like Satan had thrown a monkey-wrench into the wheels of freedom. But apparently through the courage of Mr. (Boris, president of Russia) Yeltsin and others, the coup d'etat lost its momentum, and ground to a halt.

Miraculously, freedom had been restored. A miracle? Yes! The Communist Party disintegrated. Most of the Soviet republics declared their independence, opening the doors wider than ever for the Bible, the Word of God.

My trip to Russia was a miracle in itself. In the summer of 1991, hearing of some American preachers going to Russia, I suddenly had a burning desire to do likewise. But I was 78, and had angina and diabetes.

Friends tried to talk me out of it. But I felt like Paul did when he wrote, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." I figured if God wanted me to go, he would open the door for me. He did. Accidentally I heard from a friend named Dwayne Good that he could not go with a group going in August, but I might be able to go in his place. This was under the leadership of Jon and Cecil Todd.

For \$2,195 I could make the round trip and stay in a good hotel with meals and an interpreter included. (Boy, did we need them!) I didn't have that kind of money, but I sent a newsletter to many friends, relatives, and churches asking them to help me go so I could give out hundreds of Bibles.

Many didn't answer, but enough did, and I raised almost enough money to pay the fare, plus buy \$500 worth of Russian Bibles and 1,000 Scripture booklets. So I had to pay only \$394.95 out of my pocket. I was determined to go, and I don't regret it.

Two churches, two Bible classes,

overflow crowds of men, women, and children.

When we started giving out free Bibles, the whole crowd surged forward to get them, and almost crushed us. We gave out about 5,000 Bibles, and thousands of the Scripture booklets.

Never had I seen such a hunger for the Word of God. On the second night we ran out of Bibles and booklets. But having been forbidden to possess or read the Bible for about 70 years, by their Communist, atheist over-lords, it is no wonder the people were so desperate to get the Bible.

It would be like an American imagining 70 years without any newspapers, ice cream, or any luxuries.

On the second night, every seat was filled, with many persons standing in the aisles. After the preacher told them how to be saved, the whole crowd, en masse, made the good confession of faith and acceptance. The other preachers could hardly believe it, but I had seen similar victories in Korea. How we would love to see such a response again in America.

Jack Light and I instructed the new converts how to live the Christian life after they were baptized (we baptized only by immersion). We believe about 5,000 persons were converted to Christianity by our seven teams, with about 1,200 being at Goss Khrestalny. What a thrilling time. Nothing like it!

Fortunately, I had brought 1,000

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and about 33 individuals had sent me most of the money. I had just lost my job as a nightwatchman, the company which employed me having just closed. Raising the money to go—that was a miracle too!

I stayed four nights on the 24th floor of the Izmailova Hotel, with a friendly, middle-aged preacher from the Spokane area. Our team of 41 split up into about seven smaller teams, and went to widely separated parts of Russia: Moscow, Siberia, Riga, Alexandra, Urshell, Goss Khrestalny (where I went), and other places.

Our team of six consisted of three preachers, one preacher's wife, one young couple (who led the music or furnished it)—plus two interpreters. We also had the use of a large auditorium that seated about 558 persons, plus stage personnel. Our services had been well advertised in advance, by newspaper, radio, and TV.

Miraculous and incredible are words that best describe the response of the Russian people in Goss Khrestalny, Moscow, and everywhere. We preached and sang to

communion cups from America, which were well used on the only Sunday morning that we were in "Goss." One or two Russian ladies baked about six huge unleavened pancakes for the communion bread, and we had to use a juice that was half grape and half apple. I gave a new American hymnal to a fine young lady who plays the piano, and she seemed very thrilled. I was, too.

Most things were very cheap in Russia at that time. So I gave them enough rubles to buy 100 hymn books for the new church at "Goss," as I call it. A very lovely Russian lady, part of the local government, was very helpful to us.

Eugene, one of our interpreters and an engineering student, had been a believer, but now he wanted baptism, and shouted for joy when we immersed him. I made two very good friends at "Goss," both elderly men. I long to see them again. One had been in the Russian army in World War II and wore cloth medals on his suit.

Several more miracles? Yes! The

Russian government wants us to provide Bibles for all schools in Russia; to use as textbooks! Can you believe it? Already, Bibles are being distributed and taught in many Russian schools. (I wish to God that we could do the same in America! Crime would gradually dry up. Just try it!) Ninety-two million Bibles are needed for all schools in Russia. It has only begun.

The last miracle involves me personally. I had sent a copy of my July 9 Korean Newsletter to Mr. Ahn, our Christian agent in Korea. In that letter I appealed to friends to help me raise money to go to Russia. When the Korean pastors and elders held their summer convention at Yung Sung last August, unknown to me at the time, they took up a large offering and pledges totaling nearly \$2,133 in Korean money, to help fund my trip to Russia.

I heard about it after I returned home from Moscow. While it came too late for my first trip, it assures me that if God wills, and if my health holds out, I will be able to make another trip soon to that freedom-loving, Bible-loving, and (now) American-loving land.

In addition to that "convention offering," another offering was taken by some other Korean brethren who work with missionary Gorden Patten from Oregon and a close friend of mine. It amounted to \$672.

So my next trip, probably in May (and maybe for six weeks) seems certain.

And now I am urging American Christians everywhere to help provide those 92 million Russian Bibles, for a land eleven times as large as the United States. I am fervently praying that freedom will continue in Russia, where starvation threatens its people.

I am very glad that America, and other western nations are sending some food and medicine to these new Russian republics. Once our enemies, they are now our friends.

I sincerely hope that before it is too late we can send many Christian missionaries, and groups from some good Bible colleges, to those newly liberated lands.

How glad I will be to return to a liberated Russia, and to preach and teach in their schools, share the Word of God with them, and hopefully baptize thousands of them, in obedience to Christ's great commission.

Maybe someday they will awaken America to her spiritual needs. I am confident that having the Bible in Russian schools and homes will "revolutionize" Russia in a very good sense. She is starting to go up, while we don't.

As for souvenirs, I did bring home a few—like a furry winter cap, six mugs, and nearly a hundred pictures. However, it is the many, many memories of those very lovable Russian brothers and sisters in the Lord; and the knowledge that thousands of them found and accepted God's Son—these I consider to be far and away the best souvenirs of all, golden memories.



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LDSSA will meet at noon in Room 313 of the BSC.

Nancy Disharoon will present a seminar, "The Tools of the Job Hunt," from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Room 314 of the BSC. Topics include writing the resume, cover letter, and follow-up letter.

The Society for Human Resource Management meets at 12:15 p.m. in Room 103 of Matthews Hall.

The Wesley Foundation will meet from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

The Social Science Club will conduct its spring organizational meeting at 2:30 p.m. in Mansion Room 111. Free pizza will be served.

## 14 TOMORROW

A Valentine's buffet will be held from 10:40 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom and Keystone Room.

The athletic committee will gather from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

## 15 SATURDAY

The Lady Lions will tip off at 6 p.m. at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. The men's game will begin at 8 p.m.

## 16 SUNDAY

Lambda Beta Phi will meet at 6 p.m. in BSC Room 311.

The Kappa Alpha fraternity will gather from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in BSC Room 313.

Sigma Pi will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. in BSC Room 314.

The Greek Council meets from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom.

## 17 MONDAY

The Faculty Senate will meet at 3 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

The Greek Council will meet at 4 p.m. in BSC Room 311.

Sigma Nu will gather from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

Donnie Bennett will conduct a martial arts class at 7 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom.

## 18 TUESDAY

The Baptist Student Union will hold a lunch from 11 a.m. to noon in BSC Room 311.

LDSSA will meet at noon in Room 313 of the BSC.

The Newman Club will gather from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 306 of the BSC.

The placement office will present "Successful Interviewing" at 12:15 p.m. in BSC Room 314. The seminar, conducted by Nancy Disharoon, will feature a three-step plan for interviewing.

Phi Eta Sigma will meet from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

Koinonia will meet at 7 p.m. at College Heights Christian Church on Newman Road.

## 19 WEDNESDAY

Senior Assessment Day; day classes are dismissed.

The Baptist Student Union will meet from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

The CAB will meet at 3 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

Student Senate gathers at 5:30 p.m. in BSC Room 310.

The Lady Lions will challenge Southwest Baptist at 6 p.m. in Young Gymnasium. The Lions will tip off at 8 p.m.

## PUMP IT UP



Ann Carter, senior nursing major and member of the Student Nurses Association, takes the blood pressure of Laurie Owens, freshman elementary education major. American Red Cross officials had hoped for 125 pints of blood to be donated, but only 75 donors gave blood at Tuesday's Bloodmobile.

## STUDENT NURSES' ASSOCIATION

## Group set for Phoenix

By JENNIFER SEXTON  
STAFF WRITER

Missouri Southern's chapter of the Student Nurses' Association hopes to enhance the academic progress of its members through involvement on campus. "I think it's very valuable for students," said Christine Eller, SNA adviser. "It helps to get them get ready for their professional role as a nurse."

SNA is composed of five officers: Rolina Lewis, president; Pam White, vice president; Debra Scritchfield, secretary; Lesley Cochran, treasurer; and Tanya Davis, historian.

SNA frequently finds itself busily involved in various fund-raisers throughout the year.

"We are currently selling M&M's to raise money so we can attend the national student nursing convention in Phoenix," Cochran said. "The Student Senate donated \$1,000 for our trip."

The national student nursing convention is a series of business meetings, seminars, and exhibitors featuring the different types of nursing positions available.

"There are 25 students signed up to attend the convention," Cochran said. "We are hoping that with busy schedules and all, 10 to 15 [people]

will be able to go."

SNA sponsors the American Red Cross blood drive twice a year. It is also involved in the Phon-A-Thon, blood pressure screening, and collecting food and toys for its "adopted" family at Christmas.

Feb. 19 is Nursing Lobby Day. This is when some student nurses go to Jefferson City to discuss care issues with state legislators.

"I think it (SNA) is a really great program with instructors who help us learn the best we can," Cochran said. "Hopefully it will cultivate things in us that will help us into our profession."

## LEARNING CENTER

## Tutoring beneficial to tutors, students

## Teachers receive positive feedback

By KRISTA CURRY  
STAFF WRITER

Tutoring on campus is available for those students needing help in a particular area of study and for those wanting to become tutors themselves.

Those interested may contact Eileen Godsey or Jim Brown in the Learning Center.

"Students interested in tutoring generally need to have a good, solid background in the subject they want to tutor," Godsey said. "They need to be a fairly good student with at least a 'B' average."

"I don't really go by grade-point average. What I do go by is recommendations from the faculty. Students have to have at least two recommendations by the faculty, or they're not accepted."

Students who want to apply for tutoring jobs may pick up an application in the Learning Center on the third floor of the library.

Tutors can teach anywhere from four to 15 hours depending on their class schedules. Each tutor is paid minimum wage.

"Some students tutor for the money while others need reinforcement on a subject for an entrance exam they're getting ready to take for graduate school," Godsey said.

"Students, however, do not receive credit for tutoring. It's strictly a job," she added.

Godsey is responsible for getting tutors for students in biology, mathematics, physics, and chemistry.

Tutoring sessions are held once a week and normally last approximately 50 minutes. Up to three tutees are allowed in each session.

Evaluations on the students' progress are done at the end of each semester. Godsey said 99 percent of the evaluations are positive.

"Tutoring appears to me to be a very successful program," she said. "We've received comments from students saying that they would never have made it without our program and that we're providing a great service."

Brown coordinates the writing program for tutors. He helps students get tutoring in subjects which require extensive writing such as English, psychology, and history.

"I hope nobody feels any kind of stigma getting help," Brown said. "Why should you have to be doing poorly? Why can't you just want to do better? A lot of very fine students get tutoring, and it's a shame because a lot of the poorer ones don't."

The number of tutors available varies. Currently, the science tutoring program has 15 tutors, and the writing program has eight.

"Right now I have a number of history tutors, plus some composition and psychology tutors," Brown said. "Writing tutors must be good writers and must be able to relate to people in a very effective way. The tutors we have right now are really good people who care."

## MR. TWIN COUNTIES

## Contest receives change in name

By LESLIE KARR  
STAFF WRITER

Women will get their chance to gawk when 20 men compete in the Mr. Twin Counties Pageant next week.

The contest, to be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, in the Billingsly Student Center, formerly was called Mr. 10. The name was changed as an updating measure.

"We first named the contest Mr. 10 after the movie," Kathy Holt, pageant organizer, said. "That's pretty outdated, so we decided to change the name and chose Mr. Twin Counties to get a closer connection to the girls' pageant."

The 11th annual Mr. Twin Counties contest is an event to raise funds to send the 1992 Miss Twin Counties winner, Shelby Janes, to the Miss Missouri pageant, a Miss America preliminary.

good crowd, so I would suggest coming early. Last year we had 250 people, but there is enough seating for 350."

The contest will be judged in four equally rated divisions consisting of the interview, business suit, sportswear, and swimsuit sections.

"The judges are told to choose the best in the different divisions," Holt said. "We aren't necessarily looking for the bodybuilder. We are looking for someone at ease and in control."

The winner of the Mr. Twin Counties pageant will go on to the Mr. Missouri pageant, the Mr. America preliminaries.

"A great deal of benefit goes to the female Twin Counties, but also for the male," Holt said. "As Mr. Twin Counties, they meet several people and still have the opportunity to model, et cetera."

The 1987 Mr. 10 (Twin Counties) winner, Kevin Ziegler, went on to

"We aren't necessarily looking for the bodybuilder. We are looking for someone at ease and in control."

—Kathy Holt, pageant organizer

The contestants can be married or single men between 18 and 45. Only the first 20 entries will be accepted to keep the pageant from being too lengthy.

Contestants may be sponsored by any club, organization, business, or individual. There is no limit to the number of individuals a group can sponsor.

"There is no entry fee because we want everyone to participate," Holt said. "The guys have nothing to lose and everything to gain."

The fund-raiser will earn its money from the \$3.50 admission.

"We've had a great deal of interest in the contest in the past. That's why we've continued to do it for so long," Holt said. "We always have a really

become Mr. America. He also made television appearances and modeled.

Greg Banks, sophomore psychology major, was the local winner last year.

"I had a lot of fun with it," he said. "This was my first pageant to be in, but my fraternity (Sigma Pi) asked me to be in it, and I said, 'Sure.'"

"It helped me out in many ways. It improved my confidence and made me more outgoing, if you can believe that. It was a great experience."

The 1992 Mr. Twin Counties will be awarded \$200. The sponsoring organization receives \$50. Gifts from area merchants also will be awarded to runners-up and to the dress wear, sportswear, and swimwear winners.

## RESOURCES IN USE



Laura Jay, junior math education major, tutors Kathy Wilbert, junior medical technology major, in the Learning Center of Spiva Library. Learning Center tutors need to maintain a 3.0 grade-point average.

Writing tutors meet twice a week in the Learning Center either on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"It's much harder to tutor a writing course than it is a content course because writing isn't a content in the same sense as, say, math and physics," Brown said. "The tutors in writing are facilitating a process rather than tutoring a content."

He added that tutoring isn't a fix-it service.

"Our goal is to help students develop into becoming better writers," Brown said. "We teach them to be

a writer. We don't do it for them."

Brenda Davidson, a senior psychology major, is serving as a writing tutor for the experience it provides.

"My career goal is to have a Ph.D. in psychology," she said. "I'll probably be teaching at a university, so any type of teaching experience is interesting to me."

Davidson, who has been tutoring for two years, has noticed that students have a difficult time putting thoughts and ideas on paper.

"I think one of my jobs is to help them understand that they don't need to be intimidated by writing,"

she said. "They need to realize that they have something important to say. I just want to help them find the most painless way to get it on paper."

"It makes you feel good to help someone. Besides, tutoring is a lot of fun," she added.

Brown gave four reasons why tutoring is beneficial to students. He said not only does it make money for the student tutors, it is also a good experience, it looks good on a resume, and the best way to learn anything is to teach it. Besides, the students get the satisfaction of knowing they have made a difference.

By P.J. GRAHAM  
CAMPUS EDITOR

## Clubs seek to network with pros

Keeping a networking system in operation is a large priority for two campus groups.

The Society for Human Resource Management and the Student Chapter of the Data Processing Management Association both plan meetings with professionals not only to learn more about their field, but also for networking sources.

"We get to interact with the professional DPA [chapter]," said James

Craftford, DPMA president.

The DPMA schedules lectures with professionals from the DPA group during its regular meetings. DPMA meets at 12:15 p.m. the first and third Thursday of every month in Room 207 of Matthews Hall.

"The best part [of being in the club] is a toss up between interaction with other students and the contacts with potential employers," said Dennis Herr, DPMA co-sponsor and assistant professor of computer science.

The club also is sponsored by

Hartford Tunnell, assistant professor of computer science.

The Society for Human Resource Management focuses on the industrial angle for psychology and business majors.

Dr. Betsy Griffin, head of the psychology department and the group's co-sponsor, said members study employee satisfaction, benefits, and the hiring and interviewing of people.

"Human resource management deals with a number of different

areas," Griffin said. "It is sort of the people side of business."

The group, which has 25 to 30 members, meets at 12:45 p.m. the second Thursday of the month in Room 106 of Matthews Hall. The group's other sponsor is Terry Marion, associate professor of business.

The club plans seminars and tries to meet people in industry. Griffin said the group was not well known until members put up a bulletin board for the club in Matthews Hall.



UPCOMING EVENTS  
CALENDAR

## MO. SOUTHERN

"Artists of the American West:" through Feb. 23; Spiva Art Center  
 "The Swords of Xanadavia:" premiere of a children's fantasy; presented by Southern Theatre at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 29 and March 1; Taylor Auditorium

## JOPLIN

Davis Daniels: tonight; Wrangler's; 504 Range Line; 417-623-6373; tickets: \$10  
 Night Train: through Saturday; Dixie Lee's; 2409 W. Seventh; 417-782-2272  
 Oreo Blue: tomorrow and Saturday; Champs; 516 Joplin; 417-782-4944  
 Authority: tomorrow; Bypass; 1212 Main; 417-624-6544  
 Live comedians: 8 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. Saturday; Bypass; 1212 Main; 417-624-6544  
 "Barnum" by Mark Bramble: through Tuesday; Joplin Little Theatre; First Street and Adams; \$7 adults, \$6 senior citizens, \$3 children; 417-623-3638

## SPRINGFIELD

Woven Vessels: organized by the Craft Alliance Center for Visual Arts; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, and 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday; through Feb. 23; Springfield Art Museum; 417-866-2716  
 Dale Leys: large drawings; Sunday through Feb. 28; Springfield Art Museum; 417-866-2716

## TULSA

Seeking the Floating World: The Japanese Spirit in Turn-of-the-Century French Art: an exhibit of 153 works by 70 artists from the 1860s to the 1900s; through March 15; Philbrook Museum of Art; 918-749-7941

Italian Art for Tulsa: The 30th anniversary of the Kress Collection Gift: a documentary exhibit of photographs, catalogs, and materials related to the Samuel H. Kress Collection of 14th-century Italian painting and sculpture; through March 1; Philbrook Museum of Art; 918-749-7941

Shared Visions: Native American Painters and Sculptors in the Twentieth Century: through April 12; Gilcrease Museum; 918-582-3122

Oklahoma Sinfonia's Tulsa Pops Concert: American-style Valentine's Day celebration: tomorrow; Brady Theatre; 918-298-7677

"Love, Lust, and Limbo:" tomorrow; Heller Theatre; 918-743-1218

"Arsenic and Old Lace:" tomorrow through Feb. 23; Williams Theatre; Tulsa Performing Arts Center; 918-587-8402

"Alone Together:" tomorrow through Sunday, Feb. 21-23; Broken Arrow Community Playhouse; Broken Arrow, Okla.; 918-258-0077

## KANSAS CITY

Ridge String Quartet: 8 p.m. tomorrow; Folly Theatre; 12th and Central; 816-474-4444  
 "For Hearts In Three Quartet Time:" 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday; Simpson House; 4509 Walnut; 816-235-2700

## ST. LOUIS

Ozzy Osborne: 7:30 p.m.; Sunday; Fox Theatre; 527 North Grand Boulevard; 314-534-1678

"Oh! Calcutta!:" an erotic musical: 8 p.m.; Tuesday; Fox Theatre; 527 North Grand Boulevard; 314-534-1678

## ENRICHING YOUNG MINDS



Fourth graders from Joplin's McKinley Elementary School view "Artists of the American West," an exhibit on display in the Spiva Art Center. More than 1,200 students will visit the center through Feb. 21.

CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

## ► INTERNATIONAL PIANO COMPETITION

## Pianists prepare to audition for fourth annual event

By DAWN ADAMSON  
ARTS EDITOR

Area pianists will get the chance to participate in the fourth Missouri Southern International Piano Competition in April.

The honors audition will be open to pianists 18 years old and under living within 100 miles of Joplin. Winners of this competition will be invited to attend a welcoming party with the international competitors April 21. They also will perform a master class for the competi-



tion judges April 22 and receive critiques from the world-renowned judges. At the gala concert April 25, the honors audition winners will be introduced and invited to attend the reception as honored guests.

Applications for the honors auditions are available from the music department at Southern and must be filed by March 6.

Judges for the competition are Erna Gulabayan, Sylvia Zaremba, Solomon Mikovsky, Martin Berkofsky, and Tong II Han.

"They (area pianists) will have a chance to meet these professional judges, get a critique from them, and see what's possible in a piano

performance," said Vivian Leon, competition director.

The International Piano Competition began in 1987 and returned again in 1988 and 1990.

"In preparation for this we try to get our event known in the continental United States as well as overseas," Leon said. "We send printed material about the competition overseas. Of course we keep in touch with all the schools in the United States and Canada."

Russia, Poland, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Germany, China, Japan, Canada, and the United States are some of the applicants' countries.

## ► THEATRE DEPARTMENT

## Three test playwrighting skills

By JASON HAASE  
STAFF WRITER

The art of writing plays has been taken more seriously at Missouri Southern since the inception of the Original Playwrighting Program two years ago.

The program arose from theatre majors expressing their interest in writing plays to Dr. Jay Fields, director of theatre. Fields then contacted one of the few playwrights in the area, Gary Blackwood, and asked him if he would be interested in helping out. At the time, Southern had performed one of Blackwood's plays, *Attack of the Mushroom People*, for the Spring Arts Festival.

Blackwood, Southern's playwright in residence, works with the students one on one. He discusses their plays with them and offers suggestions for improvement.

"I try to give them several months

to work on it, and I hold a seminar and give them the basics of playwrighting," Blackwood said.

Of the five students who were interested, Blackwood has received only three scripts so far. The three students he has been working with are Gina Collinson, senior theatre major; Jami Bruton, sophomore speech and drama major; and Mark Sweet, junior computer-aided drafting and design major.

Throughout the semester, Blackwood tries to have two or three meetings with them to discuss their plays. The students receive no course credit for participating.

"Basically, it was a student-generated thing from the beginning," Blackwood said. "They just came to Dr. Fields with an interest, and he hooked me up with them and it just sort of went from there."

Blackwood makes his living as a writer. He has had three young adult

books published. Two of them are *Dying Sun* and *Beyond the Door*. The third, *Wild Timothy*, Blackwood said, is doing well. He also has an adult historical novel in print called *The Lion and the Unicorn*.

"I had a play that just won the Missouri Script Works in November," Blackwood said. "That one got a stage reading in St. Louis."

The play, *Dark Horse*, was read by the St. Louis Actors' Ensemble.

In September 1991 the Stone's Throw Theatre in Carthage performed one of Blackwood's plays called *Futures*.

The Original Playwrighting Program tentatively has scheduled April 29 and May 1 for the stage readings of its plays. Blackwood said even students not interested in theatre will want to come to this. One can see a work in progress and have some influence by giving the playwrights feedback.

## ► SPIVA ART CENTER

Children view, appreciate art  
Elementary students see exhibit

By NICOLE DAVISON  
STAFF WRITER

Fourth and fifth graders in the area are being exposed to the world of art.

More than 1,200 students will visit the Spiva Art Center through Feb. 21.

"This is to bring them in contact with original works of art and contribute to their appreciation," said V.A. Christensen, director of the Spiva Art Center.

The children will view the exhibit and complete a worksheet to help them probe the artwork. They also do a project which deals with their own interpretation of the subject matter.

"It's not really meant to make artists out of them, but rather to enrich their schools art program," Christensen said.

The current exhibit deals with images of the American West. Christensen said the timing was perfect

because the students have a unit on Native Americans in their textbooks.

"There's a big difference between knowing about it and experiencing it," he said.

Christensen said this type of program helps to overcome the initial hesitancy to try something new. He said fourth and fifth graders are at an age when they can understand the function of an art center in their environment.

"Children are keen observers," he said. "They bring perceptions and insights that we aren't always aware of."

This hands-on experience, in its 12th year, grew out of a desire to build audiences for the arts in the future.

"In all, I think it has been a good experience for the children," Christensen said. "We see them coming back in junior and senior high."

Parents have come to view the exhibits after hearing about their children's experiences.

## ► SOUTHERN STARS

## Dance classes teach country-style steps

By CHRISTY MYERS  
STAFF WRITER

Ever wanted to learn the two step or the cotton-eyed Joe?

Country-western dance classes for people of all ages are now being held at Missouri Southern.

The classes started Jan. 20 and run for six weeks. However, anyone who wants to join still has time to do so. The classes are held on Mondays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Taylor Auditorium balcony lounge. The classes are pre-rolled, non-credited, and cost \$25.

Students learn the two-step, three-step, waltz, swing, polka, and cotton-eyed Joe.

"The dancing that is done is for

people who want to learn for leisure activity," said Dr. Jerry Williams, director of continuing education.

Intermediate and advanced classes also are held along with beginning country-western dancing. The dance instructor is Les Coppedge.

"Southern Stars country-western dances are also held in conjunction with the dance classes at Southern," Williams said.

Southern Stars, sponsored by the continuing education office, holds dances the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 1801 W. Second St., in Joplin. The cost is \$3 per person and the classes are open to all ages, singles and couples.

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## ► HEALTH/MEDICAL

## Prognosis good for area toddler

### 13-month-old recovers from surgery

By KAYLEA HUTSON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

For Dale and Stephanie Garber, every parents' nightmare became a reality on Jan. 20. That Monday, the Garbers were told their 13-month-old son, Codi, had been born without a diaphragm—the muscle which separates the organs of the chest from those of the abdomen and acts in forcing air into and out of the lungs.

"They said he would have never made it through the night if we hadn't brought him [to the hospital]," Stephanie Garber said. "I had come home from work that evening, and he had just woken up from a nap. He was crying and screaming like he had a belly ache."

"While we were eating, I was holding him, and he started to lose his color and started gasping for his breath."

The rural Carthage couple rushed Codi to Barton County Memorial Hospital in Lamar, where a set of X-rays were taken to discover what was wrong with Codi.

"At the time they (doctors) just thought he had an air bubble and a collapsed lung," she said. "They drew the air bubble out of him and took some more chest X-rays, and it was then they discovered his stomach was up where his lung should have been."

Because Codi was born without a diaphragm, his stomach moved into his upper chest, crushing his left

lung. His heart was pushed over into the right side of his chest.

Codi was airlifted from Barton County Memorial to St. John's Regional Hospital in Springfield. He underwent surgery at St. John's to insert an artificial diaphragm made of gortex (a synthetic substance).

"At first they thought that he just had a hole in his diaphragm," Stephanie Garber said. "But then they found out he didn't have one at all. He only had the [diaphragm] lining."

Because the gortex will remain the same size, Codi will have to undergo surgery again between the ages of five and seven to replace it.

Codi was released from St. John's Feb. 2.

Stephanie Garber said doctors were unaware of Codi's condition until his lung collapsed on Jan. 20.

Stephanie Garber said Codi will have to visit a pediatrician in Springfield every six months until his next operation.

She said friends and relatives have been supportive throughout the ordeal. An account has been opened by the Garbers' friends at Boatmen's Bank of Carthage to help defray Codi's upcoming medical expenses.

The family also received some help from the Children's Miracle Network Telethon to assist with expenses incurred while in Springfield.

Codi is not expected to suffer any side effects from the surgery. While his left lung will never be fully developed, he should grow at the normal rate for a child his age.

## GETTING A SECOND CHANCE



Codi Garber plays with his mother, Stephanie Garber, in the living room of their Carthage home. Codi, born without a diaphragm, recently received a new artificial diaphragm at St. John's Regional Hospital.

KAYLEA HUTSON/The Chart

## ► OCC

## College celebrates 50 years

By LESLIE KARR  
STAFF WRITER

Ozark Christian College is recognizing its 50th anniversary with a year-long celebration titled "A Golden Past and a Glorious Future."

OCC was established in Bentonville, Ark., on June 12, 1942, and moved to Joplin in October 1944. It has grown considerably over the 50-year span.

"The college started as a very small, struggling school with only 16 students," said Lynn Gardner, OCC academic dean. "We have maintained our same purpose to help train men and women for Christian service, while increasing our enrollment to 520 last fall."

Gardner said OCC serves a different purpose than that of Southern.

"We don't try to compete with Missouri Southern," he said. "We offer an undergraduate Bible education for ministers, missionaries, evangelistic singers, church secretaries, deacons, etc."

The college originally was established for the four-state area because many churches were closed and hundreds were without preachers. The college hoped to train individuals to fill those positions.

"The College has benefitted Joplin," Gardner said. "The students have worked in many places to help people in need. Helping people is our primary mission. We've definitely influenced Joplin that way. We have a lot of different kinds of ministry that help."

"Businesses, in turn, are in Joplin that wouldn't be if the college wasn't here. The events we have bring in many people to Joplin to buy gas, etc. We also have almost 100 employees who work, live, and spend their money here."

Gardner said OCC has gained respect from churches across America.

"OCC graduates serve in most states in the U.S. and throughout the world as missionaries. The churches in this community are stronger because of this school," he said.

Many things have been planned for the anniversary celebration.

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—Lynn Gardner, OCC

Each week OCC holds a history moment in the chapel focusing on different aspects of the college. Several reunions will be held.

On Feb. 27, OCC will have a "Night of Jubilee," which will feature speakers from the past and special music.

Another scheduled event is a campus birthday party in May. It will consist of games and recreations planned by students. There also will be a time for the students to express their goals for the next 50 years.

A painting has been done of all of the college's past presidents and deans for the 50th anniversary.

## KEEPING TRADITION ALIVE



P.J. GRAHAM/The Chart

John's Market, 1316 Broadway, takes pride in its high-quality meats and old-fashioned service. John's is owned and operated by Robert Blank, who says he knows at least 65 percent of his customers by name.

## ► LOCAL BUSINESS

## John's Market preserves history

### Service, quality stay old-fashioned

By P.J. GRAHAM  
CAMPUS EDITOR

It may have the candy rack near the register, but that is one of the few similarities John's Food Market has to a large supermarket. The store, located at 1316 Broadway, keeps an old-fashioned atmosphere. Robert Blank, owner, explains the store as similar to a piece of history.

"The small-time grocery is kind of a thing of the past," he said. "I think it's neat to keep something like this alive."

Blank bought the store in September 1989 from John and Eillien Swab. It has undergone only one major change, the addition of a meat counter, since he took over.

"I've been in the meat business for 18 years," Blank said. "I was previously employed at Dillon's. I never really felt like I was secure in a union store. That's what mainly gave me the push [to buy John's]."

Blank said the biggest advantage John's has is the quality of its meat. "We cut real beef," he said. "All your big stores are selling boxed beef order."

Blank will expand the meat section with the addition of a deli counter sometime this week. The meat section takes up approximately half of the space in the store.

John's Food Market uses "swinging beef," which is fresher than what most large groceries sell. It's so fresh, in fact, that some customers go out of their way to buy Blank's meat.

"They have the best meat in town," said Julie Palmer, a Joplin resident who said she comes from across town to buy all her meat from John's.

"We have people come from as far as Liberal, Mo., to buy meat," said Sandi Blank, Robert's wife, who works at the store.

Another advantage John's claims is its friendly atmosphere.

"We know at least 65 percent of the customers by name," Robert Blank said. "We're there to accommodate you; we'll go out of the way to make you happy."

John's offers home delivery for those who cannot get out of their homes, and the meat counter allows customers to choose the amount of meat they want instead of taking whatever size is available at most grocery stores.

John's also displays some products, like potatoes, outside in front of the store—a practice most grocery stores have given up.

"You'd be surprised how many of those things we sell that we stick out front," Robert Blank said.

The store mainly is a friend-and-family-staffed business. Not only do Robert and Sandi Blank work more than 110 hours a week between them, but their son also works there.

Jesse Blank, a sophomore eco-

nomics/finance major at Missouri Southern, works 40 hours a week at John's. He believes working with customers is good experience.

"It's taught me how to deal with people," he said. "It makes you more open."

The store's original owners, who are friends of the Blanks, still come to the store to help. Robert Blank credits John Swab with teaching him how to run the store.

"He's a super-good teacher," he said. "I learned a lot from him; I still am."

John Swab buys produce for the store and his wife, Eillien, helps Sandi Blank out.

"She's pretty well taught me how to order and to stock," Sandi Blank said.

Robert Blank estimates an average of 150 customers are served at John's per day, but the store's location does not create extra attention from potential customers.

"The location isn't the greatest," Robert Blank said. "If you're not looking for it, you'll miss it."

However, the Blanks are planning a change of location for the store. Within the next year, the store will move to the corner of St. Louis and Broadway where the Blanks hope to keep their current customers and get more from the traffic in that area.

John's Food Market is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

## ► ECONOMY

## Jobless rate reaches 5.2 percent in Joplin

By SUSAN HOSKINS  
STAFF WRITER

Unemployment figures are on the rise all over the country, and the Joplin area is no exception.

According to Lou Kelley, office manager for Missouri Job Service in Joplin, the unemployment rate was 5.2 percent on Dec. 31. He expects that figure to rise.

"I feel fairly confident that we will see unemployment rates [in the area] increase in February as high as 6 percent," he said.

However, Kelley believes the Joplin area unemployment rates are not as high as other parts of the country.

"Actually, we aren't too bad compared to the East Coast and the northern states," he said. "Many of those states are tied heavily into the auto industry."

Kelley also said there is an increase of unemployed white-collar workers.

"All projections point to white-collar cutbacks in mid-management positions," he said.

The high rate of unemployment has resulted in Congress and President Bush allowing for more unemployment benefits. Along with the 13-week extension on benefits in November, Congress this week approved another 13-week extension.

Kelley said retail and service industries are the largest employers in the area. Hospitals, while not hiring extra help, are replacing workers. He

said there are more cutbacks in personnel work, manufacturing, and outdoor jobs.

"We have had a number of plant closings that throw more people into the unemployment pool," he said.

Sue Rodgers, owner of General Employment Services in Joplin, believes the unemployment situation is worse than in recent years.

"I don't remember it being quite this bad," she said. "It's a puzzle; it really is."

However, Rodgers believes the situation will pick up by the summer.

She said most potential employers look for experience rather than qualifications. This makes the job search for college graduates without hands-on experience difficult.

"Most [employers] usually want experience," she said. "This can be frustrating for a sharp individual out of school. It's hard for them to find an opportunity to excel."

Rodgers said there are more openings for bookkeepers, diesel mechanics, drafters, and outside sales through her business. She sees a decrease in the number of retail sales and manufacturing jobs available.

Rodgers believes hard work and determination by workers will help them pull through the recession.

"I have faith in the public to pull themselves through," she said. "People have to get out and help themselves. They cannot depend on anyone else. By determination and hard work, we can pull out of this by ourselves."

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"We tried to help incoming freshmen adjust to the College," he said. "Now most of that has to come from just hanging out with the older students who have been here for a while."

Cade said he thought the College could better serve its students by further stressing multicultural awareness.

"We talk about our international mission, but how international are we?" he asked. "Say, for instance, one of our business majors has to do a presentation for a group of Oriental businessmen. If he has an awareness of their cultural background, maybe he could do a better job."

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## ► SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

## Gordon agrees to step down as head

By T.R. HANRAHAN  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After months of speculation about his future, Dr. Marshall Gordon is out as the head of Southwest Missouri State University. Gordon's fall from the helm of SMSU is softened by an agreement reached with the SMSU Board of Regents Tuesday.

Under the agreement, his term runs for two years commencing July 1, 1991, and ending June 30, 1993. He will retain the title of president, but the actual administration of SMSU will rest in the hands of a newly appointed chief executive officer, Russell Keeling, who had been serving as the university's acting vice president for academic affairs.

"The operation of the university will be my responsibility," Keeling told *The Chart*. "The vice presidents

will now report to me."

In addition to his title, Gordon will keep his office, secretary, and residence.

Financially, the agreement gives Gordon the option of a leave of absence with salary for all or part of his term, reimbursement for all sick leave and vacation time accrued prior to the agreement, \$37,500 for university-related entertainment expenses incurred by he and his wife, and \$50,000 for miscellaneous transition expenses.

After Gordon's term ends on July 1, 1993, he has the option of remaining as a tenured professor of chemistry. The Board will recognize Gordon's contributions by "naming an appropriate monument or building in his honor."

SMSU faculty members quoted in Tuesday's *Springfield News-Leader* called the agreement "generous."

Keeling said the deal should be kept in perspective.

"Anyone is going to have an immediate reaction," Keeling said. "I did, and I'm sure most of the faculty did. Then you pull back to get some [perspective], and you see how the regents agonized and struggled to reach this agreement."

"Without being in that meeting, no one can really say how he or she would have voted. I am impressed with the dedication of the regents in getting the best agreement possible."

Scott Austin, president of the SMSU student body, said yesterday that student opinion is mixed.

"They cover the entire spectrum," Austin told *The Chart*. "Some students here are upset that he is gone, but others are pleased because the lack of confidence displayed by some made it difficult for him to lead."

Michelle Groner, a Student Government Association senator, said students are glad the situation has been resolved.

"Everyone is glad the controversy is over," she said. "I think it's a reasonable settlement."

Gordon had come under fire for cost overruns on the Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts. In October, regents learned the performing arts center, budgeted at \$10.8 million, really would cost about \$17 million.

In December, the *News-Leader* revealed a memo showing Gordon knew as early as January 1991 that the center would exceed the \$10.8 million figure.

Keeling said his new administration would begin to move beyond the controversy.

"Once things settle down, the first task will be rebuilding confidence in

the university through open and honest communication," Keeling said. "We are working to see the performing arts center opens on schedule and has the budget to operate and serve the students, faculty, staff, community, and state."

"There are high costs that will have to be paid. The budget people and I are meeting [today], and we will have to address these problems."

Keeling assumed control of the university's operations immediately and said the next month will be a busy one.

"I am arranging for an open meeting within the next week or week and a half to try and address where we are and deal with where we are going," he said. "Pretty soon we will be meeting with our AAUP (American Association of University Professors) chapter to discuss the future of the university."

## Higher Education Briefs

## SMSU group helps discover ancient city

► Professor Juris Zarins and four anthropology students from Southwest Missouri State University are getting national attention after helping discover the legendary lost city of Ubar last week.

Ubar, called "the Atlantis of the sands," was a center for frankincense trade and a probable source for the frankincense presented to the Baby Jesus by the three wise men. The city is located in remote southern Oman.

"We have uncovered what were once towers, rooms, and quantities of artifacts, including pottery, that appear to date back to beyond 2000 B.C.," said Zarins, an expert on the Arabian desert. "From what we can determine, these structures collapsed and the site was abandoned."

Previous efforts to find Ubar in Oman's dunes failed in 1930, 1947, and 1953. The successful search started in 1981.

The four students, all seniors, joined Zarins on the expedition in early December. They will return in March.

Stories about the discovery are helping increase the prestige of SMSU, school officials said.

## UMR solar car to join '93 race

► A team of more than 50 University of Missouri-Rolla students is on course for Sunrayce 93, a solar-powered car competition to be held in June 1993.

Sunrayce is an educational program in which students apply their math, science, and engineering skills to design and build solar-powered cars and compete with other teams. The UMR team was one of 36 groups selected to participate in the biennial event.

The race course begins in Dallas and will finish approximately 1,000 miles later in Minneapolis.

## CMSU working on assessment

► Ten academic departments and 13 programs within Central Missouri State University's four colleges have defined explicit "student outcomes" which will foster stronger academic achievement and accountability.

These outcomes, or student learning objectives, are the first phase of a Continuous Process Improvement model aimed at post-secondary curricular and teaching reform. A federal grant is helping CMSU devise the model, which could be considered by colleges and universities nationwide.

Within each department, strategies for establishing outcomes have been as varied as the outcomes themselves. In most cases, it has meant hours of intense faculty debate and discussion. Proposed outcomes are being sent to employers, graduates, students, and consultants for evaluation.

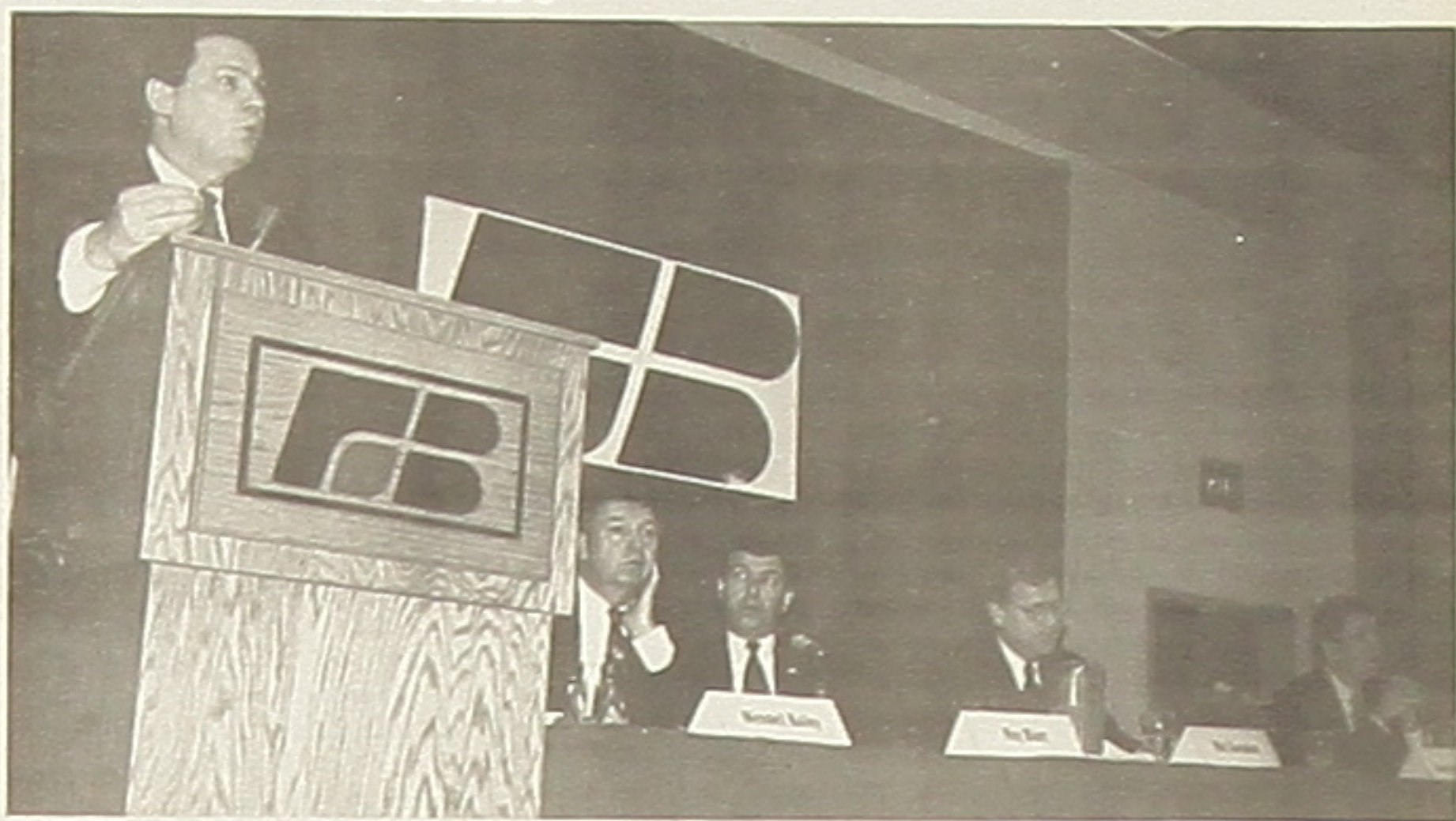
## Northeast seeks \$425 tuition hike

► Dr. Russell Warren, president of Northeast Missouri State University, plans to ask the institution's Board of Governors to raise tuition by \$425 per semester. Tuition is now about \$1,200 per semester for in-state students.

Warren also wants to raise fees for room and board by \$280 per semester. The increases would allow Northeast to renovate classrooms and residence halls, give the faculty a small raise, and make an additional \$400,000 available in financial aid.

The Board meets March 6.

## MAKING A POINT



St. Louis Mayor Vince Schoemehl addresses the Missouri Farm Bureau's legislative briefing Tuesday.

## ► GUBERNATORIAL RACE

## Schoemehl would cut state jobs

Candidates address Farm Bureau briefing

By JOHN HACKER  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Missouri's five gubernatorial candidates addressed about 270 farmers at the annual Farm Bureau legislative briefing in Jefferson City Tuesday.

Each candidate touted himself in a different way. State treasurer Wendell Bailey, a Republican, said his campaign is "people-oriented."

"If you're going to talk about too much big money in campaigns, I think you ought to do something about it," Bailey said. "The people gave me an opportunity to serve. Now I'm going to give the people an opportunity to win an election for governor."

Secretary of state Roy Blunt, a Republican, complimented his opponents in his opening speech.

"My four colleagues are well motivated," Blunt said, "often seriously wrong, but always well motivated."

"Missourians aren't going to have the kind of choice that folks had in Louisiana last year when everyone was trying to figure out who they least wanted to be governor."

Lt. Gov. Mel Carnahan, a Demo-

crat, said Missouri requires a "different style of governor."

"To solve these problems, we need a governor who's not just worried about the next election," he said. "I'm personally committed to mobilizing the strengths of this state and its people to solve these problems."

St. Louis Mayor Vince Schoemehl, Carnahan's Democratic opponent, said he is the only candidate with experience running a large government.

"When I became mayor of St. Louis, there were 10,387 municipal employees," Schoemehl said. "I reduced that to 4,300, and you know what—the place works better."

Attorney general Bill Webster, considered the Republican front-runner, stressed his farm background and experiences.

"I have some sense of the challenges that are faced with agriculture today because that has been in our family for a long time," Webster said. "I believe we need a strong Department of Agriculture. It means recognizing the good things this state has done to make this a better place for agriculture than many other states."

On the issue of property rights, all the candidates said no one has the right to take private property without just compensation.

"You see more and more, especially involving agriculture, the notion

that your property is not really your property any more," Webster said. "Maybe your grandfather got the deed to the property 100 years ago, and you've paid your taxes every year, but some people say, 'We've got a better use for it so we're going to take it.'"

Ideas for improving education in the state varied with each candidate. All of them favor earmarking lottery proceeds to education, but they also said more needed to be done.

Bailey said it was not fair for schools to have to cut their budgets in the middle of a school year.

Webster said he supports smaller class sizes, especially for grades one through four. He also said schools need to be more accountable.

Schoemehl said he supports a decentralized school system. He proposed reducing the number of state employees by 20-25 percent and redirecting that money to education.

Carnahan said he would "take the shackles off teachers." He supports moving some social services into the schools to get them closer to those they serve the most.

Blunt said education has been short-changed. He favored a constitutional amendment increasing the percentage of the state budget required for education from 25 percent to 33.33 percent.

## ► HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

500 workers rally as gas tax passes  
6-cent increase goes to SenateBy JOHN HACKER  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The proposed six-cent gas tax increase cleared another hurdle Tuesday when it passed the Missouri House.

The 126-35 final vote in favor of House Bill 1247 sponsored by Rep. Don Koller (D-Sommerville) came after more than four hours of floor debate.

Rep. Gary Burton (R-Joplin) said the margin was somewhat greater than expected.

"I'd say we picked up 20-25 more votes," Burton said.

Construction workers from across the state rallied in the Capitol rotunda before the session. More than 500 workers demonstrated for passage of the measure.

In supporting the measure, House Speaker Bob Griffin (D-Cameron), Gov. John Ashcroft, and others told the demonstrators more than 40,000 jobs would be created over the next 15 years.

"What we're up here to do is to let the legislators know we need the jobs," said Daniel J. "Duke" McVey, president of the Missouri AFL-CIO. "We represent over 500,000 workers in the state."

A contingent of Joplin-area construction workers from Laborers' Local 319 were in the Capitol to lobby area legislators. Paul Killion, one of 28 members of the group, said passage would help his members.

"If you are working, you can afford an extra six cents at the pump," Killion said. "If you aren't, it doesn't matter."

During the session, debate was

heavy as legislators worked to perfect the bill.

Rep. Chris Kelly (D-Columbia) tried to have the measure sent back to the transportation committee, saying the bill ignored vital social issues.

"We, as a legislative body, have failed the children of this state," Kelly said. "We ignore the mentally ill, we ignore our senior citizens, we ignore public safety, and we meet the needs of those who have political power. Mr. Speaker, this bill is good but the needs are greater."

Kelly later withdrew his motion. Nine amendments were proposed; three were adopted.

Lawmakers turned back three attempts to send the bill to a vote of the people.

An effort by Rep. Philip Wannemacher (R-Springfield) to approve two cents of the measure and send four cents of the tax to voters was ruled out of order by acting House Speaker Patrick Hickey (D-Bridgeton).

A second attempt by Rep. Karen McCarthy (D-Kansas City) to put the tax to a referendum was squashed by a substitute amendment introduced by Griffin.

The substitute would send four cents of the tax to a vote if a majority of the legislators determine the Missouri Highway Department has failed to carry out the 15-year plan proposed on Jan. 6, or if the federal act is changed, making a final four-cent increase unnecessary.

Attempts to include mass transit in the bill were defeated, as was an amendment to increase minority-owned business participation in construction.

## TALKING UP THE ARTS



Actress Kathleen Turner talks with the media at the Capitol yesterday. Turner is a native of Springfield and has family living there.

## ► MISSOURI ARTS COUNCIL

## Kathleen Turner laments proposed cut

By JOHN HACKER  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Screen star Kathleen Turner spent yesterday in the State Capitol lobbying for the Missouri Arts Council.

Turner and Anthony Radich, executive director of the Arts Council, met with legislators to head off an attempt to eliminate the council from the state budget.

Radich said recent comments by legislators calling for elimination of the Arts Council were shortsighted.

"We find that while there are a lot of arts supporters out there, there are also people who never have understood the value of the arts," Radich said.

A proposal made by Rep. Chris Kelly (D-Columbia) in December to trim Missouri's budget by eliminating the council set off alarms for arts proponents, Radich said.

"Whenever someone calls for the elimination of the Arts Council, we get very concerned," he said. "Arts advocates have responded very aggressively to Rep. Kelly's comments."

Turner added her voice to those protesting the Arts Council's possible elimination at a news conference at the Capitol yesterday.

"I believe that this proposition is quite out of line and poorly thought out," Turner said. "It would be detrimental to all of us and to the state."

Turner said the Arts Council's budget is so small that cutting it would not provide enough to help any social programs significantly.

"The arts budget, as I understand it, is only between \$4.7 million and \$5 million, which in the state budget is really very small," she said.

That small budget is made more effective by matching grants which would be lost if the council is elimi-

nated, Radich said.

"The crippling of the arts organizations in Missouri through the elimination of the Arts Council would put them in a position to lose much of the \$2 million in federal support they now receive from Washington," Radich said.

Because the state's part of the budget is so small, it shouldn't be a question of social programs versus the arts, Turner said.

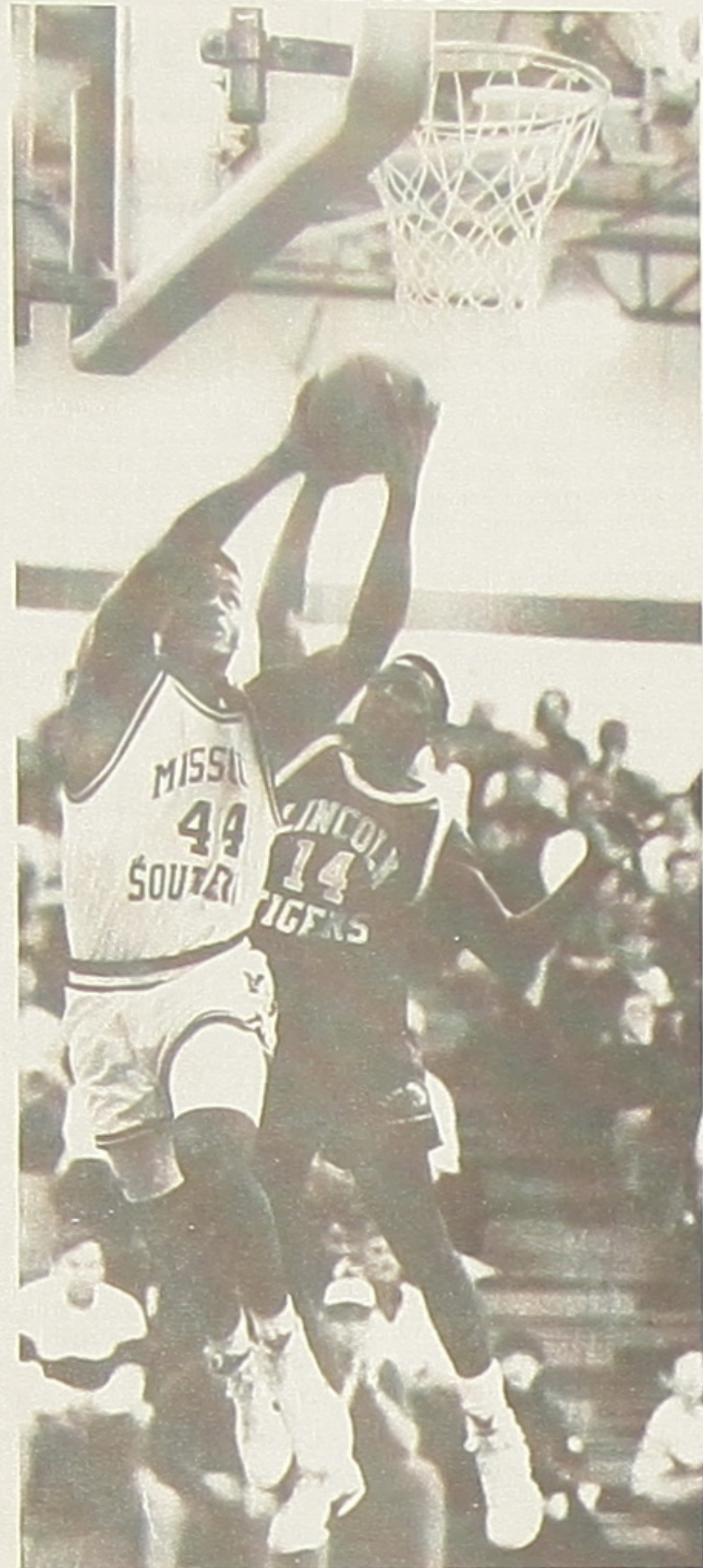
"If it is a question of children's welfare, I think after we feed a child's body, we need to feed his mind also," she said.

Turner said she hopes to demonstrate the value of the arts to the state legislature.

"[The arts] open doors, they enrich lives tremendously, and they build community involvement," she said. "The gifts that come from the arts are so much greater than any budget that goes into it."



## QUICK TO THE HOOP



Senior forward Kenny Simpson glides past Lincoln University's Aaron Walker during last Wednesday's win at Young Gymnasium.

CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

## ► MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Simpson, Tucker fuel Lions

Southern outscores Rolla by 25 in half

By JEFFREY SLATTON  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Another hurdle in the MIAA race was cleared last night as the basketball Lions defeated the University of Missouri-Rolla 91-69 in Young Gymnasium.

The win boosted Southern's record to 17-5 (7-4 in the MIAA), while the Miners dropped to 13-7 and 6-5.

The Lions' next match-up comes Saturday when they travel to play the University of Missouri-St. Louis. The Rivermen enter with records of 10-10 and 5-6 after their 67-62 home victory over Southwest Baptist University last night. The Lions defeated UMSL 81-71 here Jan. 25.

"It's going to be tough because they have great 3-point shooters," said sophomore Chris Tucker. "We've got to play great defense: get a hand

in their face when they shoot, block out, and get the rebound."

Coach Robert Corn said there are three keys to winning the game on the road at UMSL.

"We've got to play all-around solid defense," he said. "We have to eliminate any cheap baskets that the other team may get off turnovers and offensive rebounds. We also have to shoot well and be patient on offense."

In the game last night, the first half was played tightly but in Southern's favor most of the way. The Lions' largest lead of the half was eight points. Rolla battled back, though, and took its first lead, 38-37, with 3:16 remaining in the half.

The Miners' star guard, Billy Jolly, hit a 3-pointer at the end of the first half to give Rolla a 45-42 lead. Jolly entered the game as the MIAA's second-leading scorer at 22.8 points per

game, but finished with only eight.

Corn said one of the game plans for the Lions was to get Tucker involved early. Tucker responded in the second half by scoring the Lions' first eight points to give them the lead for good, 50-49, with 17:51 remaining. Tucker finished the game with 16 points and 13 rebounds.

"The guards were getting me perfect passes inside that gave me the open shots," Tucker said.

Senior Kenny Simpson was Southern's main workhorse inside, scoring 27 points, including a two-handed dunk in the first half that brought the Lion crowd to its feet.

Junior Demarko McCullough added 19 points, including 3 for 8 sniping from three-point range.

"It was a big win for us," Corn said. "The second half [in which the Lions outscored the Miners by 25 points] was about as good of a half as we've played."

## ► WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Lady Lions clinch playoff berth

Fast-break teams to clash at UMSL

By STACY CAMPBELL  
SPORTS EDITOR

Hoping to showcase their high-powered offense and slow down another one, the basketball Lady Lions travel to the University of Missouri-St. Louis for a 6 p.m. game Saturday.

Southern, 13-8 overall and 8-3 in the MIAA, enters the game as the second-highest scoring team in the MIAA, averaging 82.6 points per game. UMSL, 9-12 and 6-5, comes in averaging 61.6 a game—good for third in the conference.

Head Coach Scott Ballard thinks his team needs to employ a strong half-court defensive game.

"This is probably one game where we won't be able to press because they get the ball in so quick," he said.

"We have to stay out of foul trouble and make them play a half-court game."

Bobbi Morse, UMSL head coach, knows defense will be a key.

"We are both teams that like to fast break," she said. "We don't play too many teams like that, so we have to get back on defense and limit them to one shot."

"We have to keep certain people of theirs under control and take better care of the ball on offense."

The Lady Lions won the Jan. 25 encounter in Joplin, 93-83.

Last night, Southern avenged a Jan. 22 loss by defeating the University of Missouri-Rolla 73-61. In the process the Lady Lions assured themselves of a spot in the conference post-season tournament.

Three Lady Lions scored in double figures. Rolanda Gladen, junior forward, led Southern with 22 points and 15 rebounds. Tommie Horton, freshman guard, added 12 points,

and Nancy Somer, junior forward, had 10.

Southern used strong defense and smart play to overcome Rolla.

"We did a good job defensively and beat them on the boards," Ballard said. "From the five- to the two-minute mark [of the second half], we did a good job fundamentally on offense to move the ball around and get the open shots."

Horton believes defense was the key to the game.

"This was a real big win," she said. "Defensively we have played well lately, and tonight we shut down Trish Van Diggelen, their three-point shooter, and [Joee] Kvetensky, their inside player."

Ballard said the bench played a big role in the game.

"We got 21 points from our bench, and that's important," he said. "Honey Scott played well in the first half, and Dana Presley played good defense and scored for us as well."

## ► TRACK AND FIELD

## Lions, Lady Lions finish third at CMSU Classic

By NICK COBLE  
STAFF WRITER

Since beginning the track program two years ago, Coach Tom Rutledge had a simple goal—field a competitive team.

Following Friday's Central Missouri State University Classic, Rutledge walked away feeling his goal finally had come true.

"It was a good feeling," he said. "It was one of my goals to be competitive at track meets."

"We're winning first and second places now. It was the first time since I've been here that we were com-

petitive in all events."

The men took third out of eight teams behind CMSU and Northwest Missouri State University.

John Buchanan, junior, placed first in the triple jump and second in the long jump.

In the shot put, Jay Pride, junior, finished second, while Matt Houck, sophomore, was fourth.

Freshman Scott Tarnowiecky placed second in the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.58. Jason Riddle, junior, won the 5,000-meter run in 14:53 and took seventh in the mile at 4:27.

In the 400-meter, Carlos Haley,

sophomore, and Willie Howard, freshman, finished fourth and fifth. Haley finished in 52.6 and Howard in 53.18.

Freshman Troy McCubbin took third in the 800-meter run (1:58). In the 1,000-meter run, Kern Sorrell, senior, and Stacy Campbell, freshman, finished second and third, respectively. Sorrell ran 2:38.61, and Campbell finished in 2:38.74.

The women's squad finished third out of nine teams behind CMSU and Northeast Missouri State University.

Debbie Williams, senior, won the 400-meter dash and in the process made a national provisional quali-

fying time of 58.8. Williams has provisional qualifying times in both the 400- and 800-meter.

Williams is confident she will achieve an automatic qualifying time prior to the conference meet.

"At CMSU, if I would have had someone there to run with me, I would have qualified," she said. "My knee still bothers me a little bit, but I'm working through it. Overall, everything looks great."

Williams also took second in the 1,000-meter run. Two freshmen also placed in the 1,000-meter run. Renee Artherton was third with a time of 3:11, and Rhonda Cooper came in

fifth at 3:13.

Donna Boleski took second in both the mile (5:12) and 3,000-meter run (10:34).

Freshman Lucretia Brown and senior Brenda Booth captured fourth-place finishes in the 200-meter dash and 3,000-meter run. Brown finished in a 27.23, and Booth ran a time of 11:09.

Athletes who qualify will travel to the Kansas State University Invitational Feb. 22.

The remainder of the team will compete at Pittsburg State University Feb. 21 in the final competition before the conference meet.

## ► BASEBALL

## OSU rallies for sweep

By ROD SHETLER  
STAFF WRITER

The baseball Lions continued their tradition of playing early-season NCAA Division I foes by dropping their opening two-game series to Oklahoma State last weekend.

The Lions gave up five runs in the first inning of the game Saturday and never could come back, losing 9-1.

Starting pitcher Mark Baker took the loss for Southern, which was held to just a pair of hits.

The Lions' offense thawed out a bit on Sunday, but not enough to tame the Cowboy bats as OSU won 8-5. The Cowboys overcame a 5-4 deficit with four runs in the bottom of the sixth. Junior hurler Jeremy Beres took the loss in relief.

"These games were normal for us against them," said Coach Warren Turner. "They have a great program down there. We go down there to

learn. It has improved our work habits since we have gotten back."

Even with the two opening losses, optimism still is running high for the Lions.

"We looked really good at times," said left-fielder Bob Kneefe, who was 2 for 8 with an RBI in the series. "We came out ready to play them."

Turner also saw the weekend set as an opportunity to evaluate some of the young talent on the Southern roster.

The Lions will travel to Fayetteville, Ark., tomorrow to take on their next opponent, the Arkansas Razorbacks, at 3 p.m.

The Razorbacks have been picked to tie for third in the western division of the Southeastern Conference. The Lions, however, are far from intimidated.

"I'll be disappointed if we don't win," said senior third baseman Bryan Larson. "If we can just get the clutch hits this week. We left a lot of runners on at Oklahoma [State]."

## Intramural events on schedule

Students wanting to show off their volleyball skills will have the opportunity at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Certs/Trident Spikefest.

Each team in the four-on-four tournament must have two males and two females. Teams interested in participating can register in the racquetball office today and tomorrow. Winners in the Schick 3-on-3

Super Hoops will compete in the regional competition at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Feb. 22 for the opportunity to play in the national tournament at an NBA arena.

Stacy Brown, Andrea Mauk, and Karol Woodward won the women's division, while Philip Gordon, Scott Jones, Sean McClain, and Jeff Whitney won the men's.



T.R. HANRAHAN

## Sorry, Ron, but not all is peachy

With all due respect to Ron Fauss of MSTV and the sports information department, there are some warts on the athletic department's nose.

Let me preface this by reminding my friends in Young Gymnasium that this is the same guy who last year told you the basketball Lady Lions had turned the corner, after a loss. This is the guy who, in the first sports column of this academic year, waxed eloquently about the athletic and civic virtues of the baseball Lions. And this is the guy who reminded you last year of the high graduation rates of Southern's athletes.

I like you guys, but sometimes friends criticize.

First, the overflow situation in Young Gymnasium during the basketball game against Pittsburg State University was a joke. Ron, old boy, while it was heartening to see the fans supporting the teams to the degree they did, the sardine-packed seating here definitely was not symptomatic of a "big-time" atmosphere.

Armed security guards, stamped hands, unnavigable routes to the restrooms, students stacked seven deep in the bleachers, and the obsessive guard at the Lion-backers' section are not exactly big-time. They occur when inadequate space collides with insufficient planning. The result is an atmosphere that can be more accurately described as "bush league."

What Southern needs is a new facility. A field house to accommodate our expanding and successful programs would give the College a place for student recreation and intramurals (Young Gymnasium), as well as a place for intercollegiate competition (the new facility).

Please understand; I am a realist. I know this is a pipe dream that is financially impossible. However, the limited likelihood of such a building should not (and cannot) eliminate the very real need for it. Men's athletic director Jim Frazier said the coaches have been "cooperative and successful" in Young Gymnasium, and he is not concerned about the gym's limited capacity.

Coach, coach, coach. What if we have a nationally ranked team in the next few years? The congestion at the PSU game would be a regular occurrence. Absolutely unacceptable.

This year, the Lions conceivably could host PSU during the MIAA playoffs. The crowd problems undoubtedly would return. Unfortunately, guys, you haven't done anything to correct the situation. OK, you are doing something. A bad thing.

The idea of closed circuit television or pay-per-view broadcasts of such a contest can be summed up in two words.

It sucks.

Students receive free admission to all athletic events except the playoffs. We'd have to pay anyway. I give you that. However, give me this: the purpose and incentive for purchasing a ticket to an intercollegiate athletic event is to see it live.

Boy, those folks in Taylor Auditorium will have to shout their butts off to fire up the Lions. Nothing like putting a newspaper up to your face to show disrespect for your television screen.

Leave these commercial alternatives to professional sports. If you're going to televise a sold-out game, put it on MSTV—for free.

C'mon guys, show some imagination. Find some extra seats (for the press, too) or just admit enough students and sell enough tickets to fill the place, and no more.

But don't try to make a buck off us. It's already getting pricey to attend college.

## INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

## Upcoming Games

Thurs. Feb. 13

6:10 - W. Epsilon vs Posse  
7:00 - R. Timberwolves vs Nets  
7:50 - W. Wogs vs Aches & Pains  
8:40 - R. ROTC vs AK's

Mon. Feb. 17

6:10 - W. Wanna Boes vs Epsilon  
7:00 - A. Best of Both Worlds vs 30th Row  
7:50 - R. Big 8 vs Sid's Kids  
8:40 - A. Rookies vs Posse

Tues. Feb. 18

6:10 - R. Old Timers vs Sid's Kids  
7:00 - A. Shacks Attack vs 30th Row  
7:50 - R. SFWG vs Chiefs  
8:40 - A. Best of Both Worlds vs Cahoots

## Results

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AK's 47 (Sean Johannson 19)  
Old Timers 33 (Craig Daniel 13)  
Cahoots 79 (Steve Carvajal 32)  
30th Row 60 (Tim Greer 24)  
Southern Shooters 40 (Jahn Gaak 14)  
Chiefs 23 (Mike Schrider 7)  
Best of Both Worlds 48 (Chuck Dake 24)  
Posse 36 (Darin Clayton 11) (Kelly Smith 11)

Thurs. 2/06/92

Keys 40 (Anna Huerta 14)  
Wanna Boes 29 (Jaki Staggs 20)  
Sid's Kids 46 (Rocky Williams 29)  
Oak Tree Lane 40 (Eric Holzrichter 18)  
Has Boes 39 (Stacy Brown 14)  
Posse 25 (Denice Bogarders 9)  
AK's 2  
Big 8 0 (Forfeit)

Mon. 2/10/92

Cahoots 66 (Steve Carvajal 22)  
Rookies 43 (Tony Hughes 14)

Trees N Shrubs 30 (Michelle Dixon 12)  
Aches - N - Pains 26 (Jenny Gragg 10)

Shacks Attack 42 (Mike Gravo 16)  
Posse 48 (Chris Fridenberg 12)

Unknowns 45 (Dan Culbertson 21)  
Chiefs 26 (Dave Burnett 9)

## Upcoming Intramural Events

- 1) Free Throw Shooting Contest in progress - 2nd round next week - Finals Feb. 22nd Halftime Varsity men's B.B. game.
- 2) Certs / Trident Spikefest (4/4 Volleyball) Sun. 2:00 P.M. Deadline Fri. 2/14
- 3) Sign up for Racquetball Tournaments Novice Singles begin Mon. Feb. 17th Deadline Fri. 2/14
- 4) Sign up for Bowling Leagues 3 Man teams at Carl Richards Bowl East Cost: \$3.75 League bowls on Wed. Nights at 8:45 League lasts 6 Wks. Feb. 26 to April 6. Deadline Fri. 2/21